What is claimed is:

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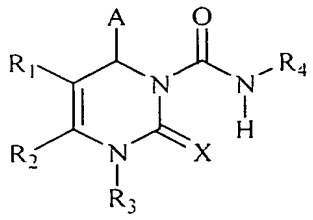

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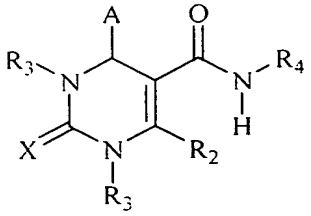

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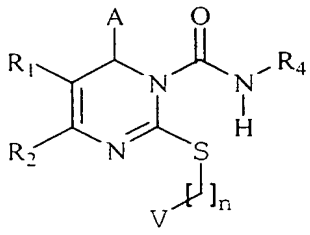

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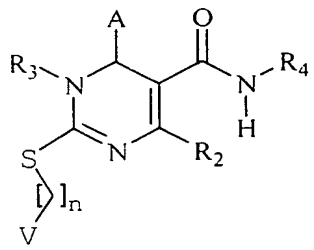

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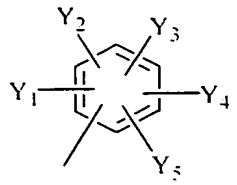
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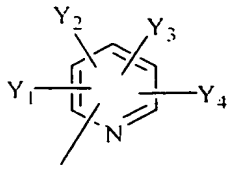
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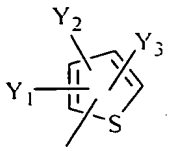
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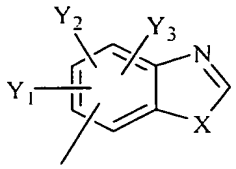
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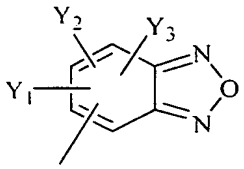
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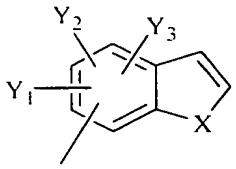
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wherein each of Y_1, Y_2, Y_3, Y_4 and Y_5 is independently -H; straight chained or branched C_1-C_7 alkyl, monofluoroalkyl or polyfluoroalkyl; straight chained or branched C_2-C_7 alkenyl or alkynyl; C_3-C_7 cycloalkyl, monofluorocycloalkyl, polyfluorocycloalkyl or cycloalkenyl; -F, -Cl, -Br, or -I; $-NO_2$; $-N_3$; -CN; $-OR_3$, $-OCOR_3$, $-COR_3$, $-CON(R_3)_2$, or $-COOR_3$; or any two of Y_1, Y_2, Y_3, Y_4 and Y_5 present on adjacent carbon atoms can constitute a methylenedioxy group;

wherein each X is independently S; O; or NR_3;

wherein R_1 is -H; $-NO_2$; -CN; straight chained or

branched C_1-C_7 alkyl, monofluoroalkyl or polyfluoroalkyl; straight chained or branched C_2-C_7 alkenyl or alkynyl; C_3-C_7 cycloalkyl, monofluorocycloalkyl, polyfluorocycloalkyl or cycloalkenyl; $-N(R_3)_2$; $-OR_3$; $-(CH_2)_pOR_3$; $-COR_3$; $-CO_2R_3$; $-CON(R_3)_2$ or $-CO_2(CH_2)_nV$;

wherein R_2 is -H; straight chained or branched C_1-C_7 alkyl, hydroxyalkyl, alkoxyalkyl, monofluoroalkyl or polyfluoroalkyl; straight chained or branched C_2-C_7 alkenyl or alkynyl; C_3-C_7 cycloalkyl, monofluorocycloalkyl, polyfluorocycloalkyl or cycloalkenyl; C_3-C_{10} cycloalkyl-C_1-C_{10}-alkyl, C_3-C_{10} cycloalkyl-C_1-C_{10}-monofluoroalkyl or C_3-C_{10} cycloalkyl-C_1-C_{10}-polyfluoroalkyl; -CN; $-CH_2XR_3$, $-CH_2X(CH_2)_pNHR_3$, $-(CH_2)_nNHR_3$, $-CH_2X(CH_2)_pN(R_3)_2$, $-CH_2X(CH_2)_pN_3$, or $-CH_2X(CH_2)_pNHCXR_7$; $-OR_3$; or wherein R_1 and R_2 together form a lactone ring;

wherein each R_3 is independently -H; straight chained or branched C_1-C_7 alkyl, monofluoroalkyl or polyfluoroalkyl; straight chained or branched C_2-C_7 alkenyl or alkynyl; C_3-C_7 cycloalkyl, monofluorocycloalkyl, polyfluorocycloalkyl or cycloalkenyl;

wherein R_4 is

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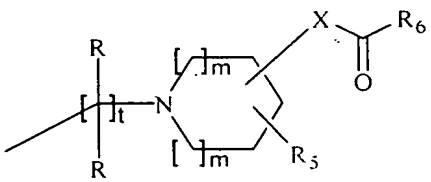

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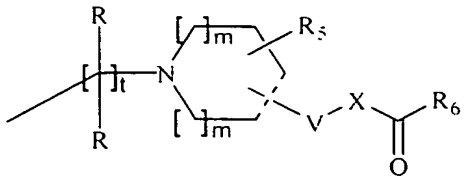

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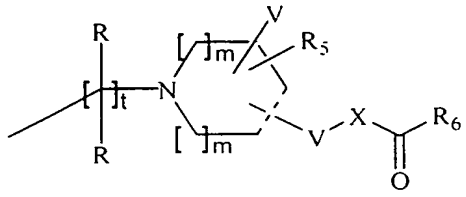

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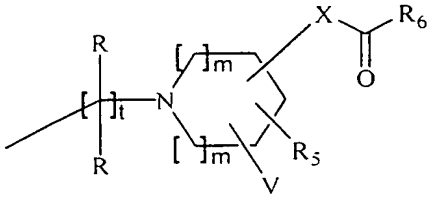

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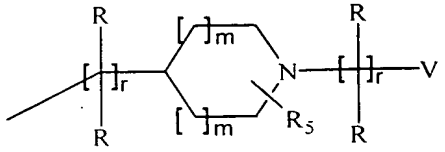

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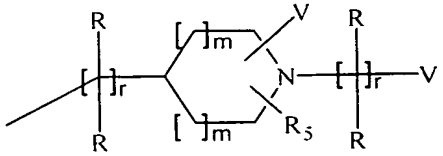

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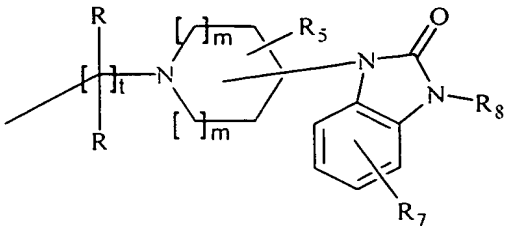
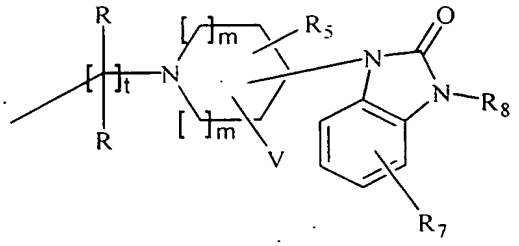
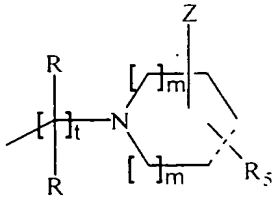
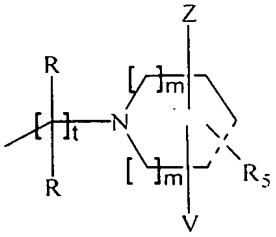
(vii)  ;

(viii)  ;

(ix)  ; or

(x)  ;

wherein the dashed line represents a single bond or a double bond;

wherein each R is independently -H; -F; straight chained or branched C_1-C_7 alkyl, monofluoroalkyl or polyfluoroalkyl; straight chained or branched C_2-C_7 alkenyl or alkynyl; $-N(R_3)_2$; $-NO_2$; -CN; $-CO_2R_3$; $-OR_3$; or $-CON(R_3)_2$;

wherein each V is independently aryl or heteroaryl, optionally substituted with one or more F; Cl; Br; I;

COR_3; CO_2R_3; $-CON(R_3)_2$; CN; $-NO_2$; $-N(R_3)_2$; $-OR_3$; $-SR_3$; $(CH_2)_qOR_3$; $(CH_2)_qSR_3$; straight chained or branched C_1-C_7 alkyl, monofluoroalkyl, polyfluoroalkyl, aminoalkyl, or carboxamidoalkyl; straight chained or branched C_2-C_7 alkenyl, C_2-C_7 alkynyl; C_3-C_7 cycloalkyl, monofluorocycloalkyl, polyfluorocycloalkyl or cycloalkenyl;

wherein each R_5 is -H; $-NO_2$; $-N_3$; -CN; straight chained or branched C_1-C_7 alkyl, monofluoroalkyl or polyfluoroalkyl; straight chained or branched C_2-C_7 alkenyl or alkynyl; C_3-C_7 cycloalkyl, monofluorocycloalkyl, polyfluorocycloalkyl or cycloalkenyl; $-N(R_3)_2$; $-OR_3$; $-(CH_2)_pOR_3$; $-COR_3$; $-CO_2R_3$; $-CON(R_3)_2$; aryl or heteroaryl, wherein the aryl or heteroaryl is optionally substituted with one or more F; Cl; Br; I; COR_3; CO_2R_3; $-CON(R_3)_2$; CN; $-NO_2$; $-N(R_3)_2$; $-OR_3$; $-SR_3$; $(CH_2)_qOR_3$; $(CH_2)_qSR_3$; straight chained or branched C_1-C_7 alkyl, monofluoroalkyl, polyfluoroalkyl, aminoalkyl, or carboxamidoalkyl; straight chained or branched C_2-C_7 alkenyl, C_2-C_7 alkynyl; C_3-C_7 cycloalkyl, monofluorocycloalkyl, polyfluorocycloalkyl or cycloalkenyl;

wherein R_6 is -H; straight chained or branched C_1-C_7 alkyl, monofluoroalkyl or polyfluoroalkyl; straight chained or branched C_2-C_7 alkenyl or alkynyl; C_3-C_7 cycloalkyl, monofluorocycloalkyl, polyfluorocycloalkyl or cycloalkenyl; $-N(R_3)_2$; $-OR_3$; $-(CH_2)_pOR_3$; $-COR_3$; $-CO_2R_3$; $-CON(R_3)_2$; aryl or heteroaryl, optionally substituted with one or more F; Cl; Br; I; COR_3; CO_2R_3; $-CON(R_3)_2$; CN; $-NO_2$; $-N(R_3)_2$; $-OR_3$; $-SR_3$; $(CH_2)_qOR_3$; $(CH_2)_qSR_3$; straight chained or branched C_1-C_7 alkyl, monofluoroalkyl, polyfluoroalkyl, aminoalkyl, or carboxamidoalkyl;

straight chained or branched C_2-C_7 alkenyl, C_2-C_7 alkynyl; C_3-C_7 cycloalkyl, monofluorocycloalkyl, polyfluorocycloalkyl or cycloalkenyl;

wherein R_7 is H; F; Cl; Br; I; $-NO_2$; $-N_3$; -CN; straight chained or branched C_1-C_7 alkyl, monofluoroalkyl or polyfluoroalkyl; straight chained or branched C_2-C_7 alkenyl or alkynyl; C_3-C_7 cycloalkyl, monofluorocycloalkyl, polyfluorocycloalkyl or cycloalkenyl; $-N(R_3)_2$; $-OR_3$; $-(CH_2)_pOR_3$; $-COR_3$; $-CO_2R_3$; or $-CON(R_3)_2$;

wherein R_8 is independently straight chained or branched C_1-C_7 alkyl, monofluoroalkyl or polyfluoroalkyl; straight chained or branched C_2-C_7 alkenyl or alkynyl; C_3-C_7 cycloalkyl, monofluorocycloalkyl, polyfluorocycloalkyl or cycloalkenyl;

wherein Z is naphthyl, quinolinyl, isoquinolinyl, quinazolinyl, phthalazinyl, quinoxalinyl, indolyl, benzo[b]furanyl, or benzo[b]thiophenyl; wherein the naphthyl, quinolinyl, isoquinolinyl, quinazolinyl, phthalazinyl, quinoxalinyl, indolyl, benzo[b]furanyl, or benzo[b]thiophenyl may be substituted with one or more F; Cl; Br; I; COR_3; CO_2R_3; $-CON(R_3)_2$; CN; $-NO_2$; $-N(R_3)_2$; $-OR_3$; $-SR_3$; $(CH_2)_qOR_3$; $(CH_2)_qSR_3$; straight chained or branched C_1-C_7 alkyl, monofluoroalkyl, polyfluoroalkyl, aminoalkyl, or carboxamidoalkyl; straight chained or branched C_2-C_7 alkenyl, C_2-C_7 alkynyl; C_3-C_7 cycloalkyl, monofluorocycloalkyl, polyfluorocycloalkyl or cycloalkenyl;

wherein each m is independently an integer from 0 to

3 inclusive;

wherein each n is independently an integer from 0 to 5 inclusive;

wherein each p is independently an integer from 1 to 7 inclusive;

wherein q is an integer from 1 to 3 inclusive;

wherein r is an integer from 0 to 3 inclusive;

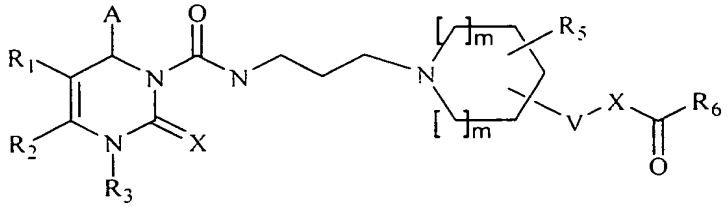
wherein t is an integer from 2 to 6 inclusive;

or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof.

2. A (+) enantiomer of the compound of claim 1.

3. A (-) enantiomer of the compound of claim 1.

4. The compound of claim 1 having the structure:



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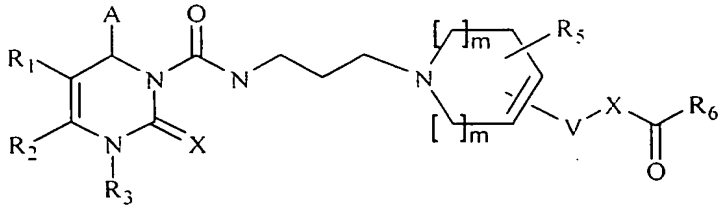
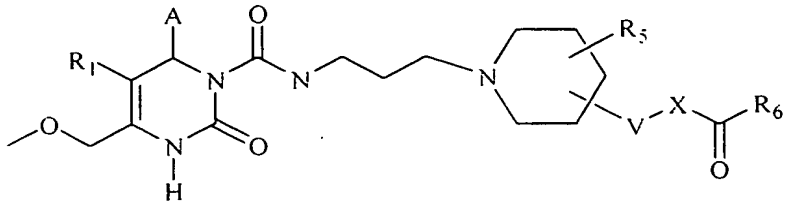


5. The compound of claim 4 having the structure:



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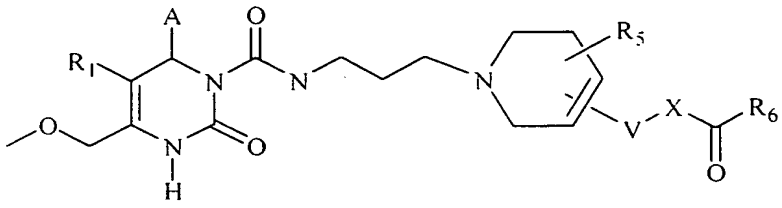
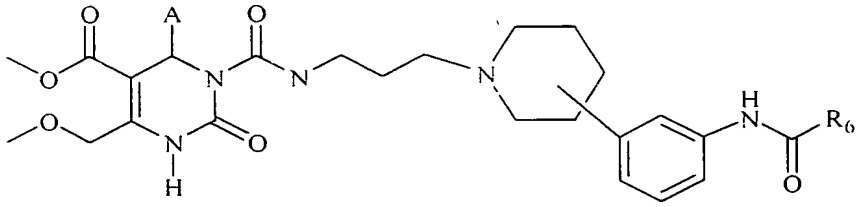


6. The compound of claim 5, having the structure:



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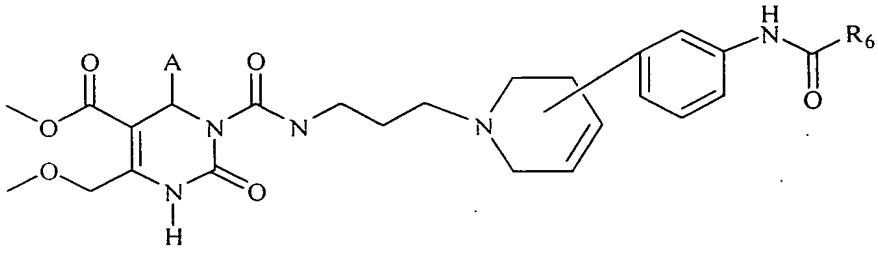
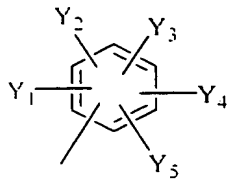


7. The compound of claim 6, wherein A is



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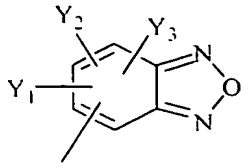

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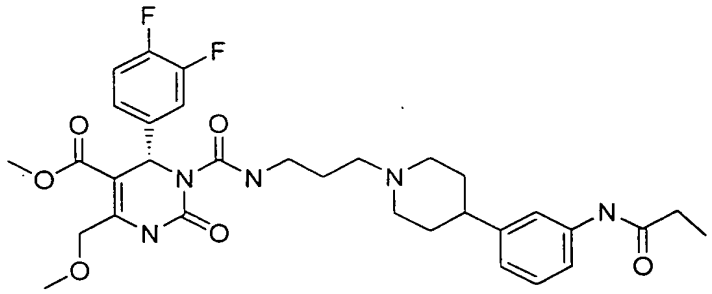
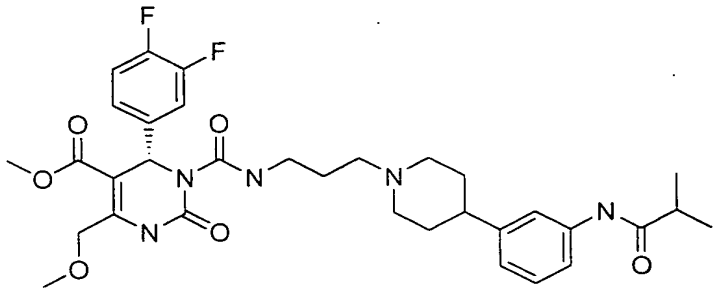
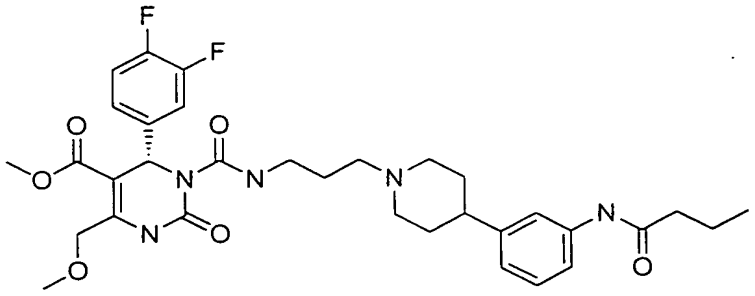
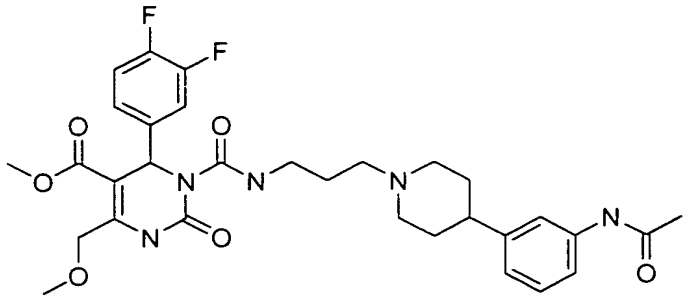
8. The compound of claim 7, wherein the compound is









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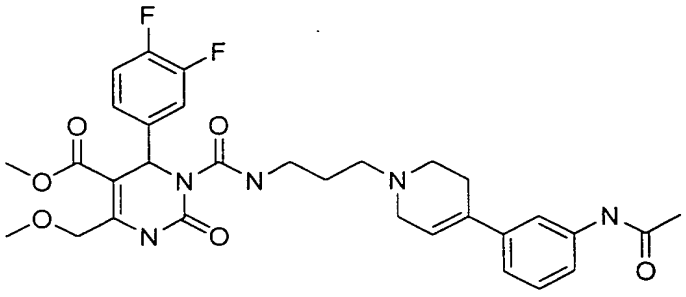
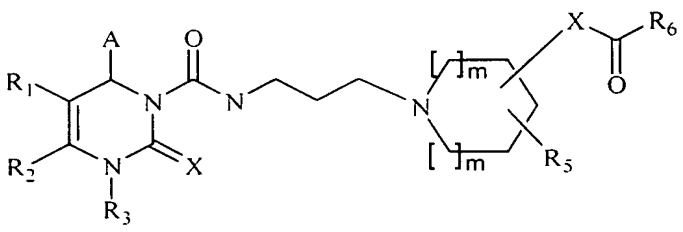
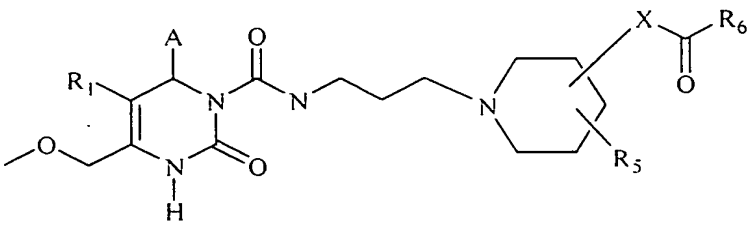


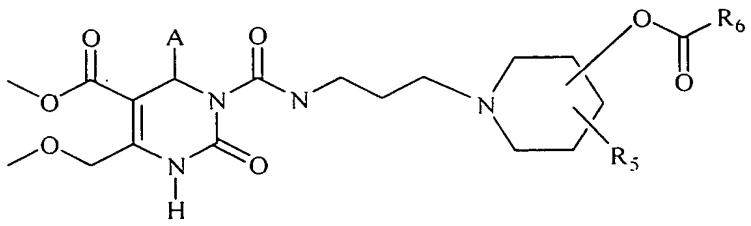
9. The compound of claim 1, wherein the compound has the structure:



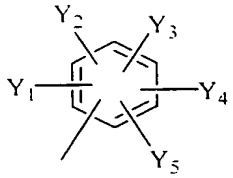
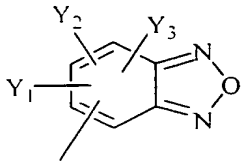
10. The compound of claim 9, wherein the compound has the structure:



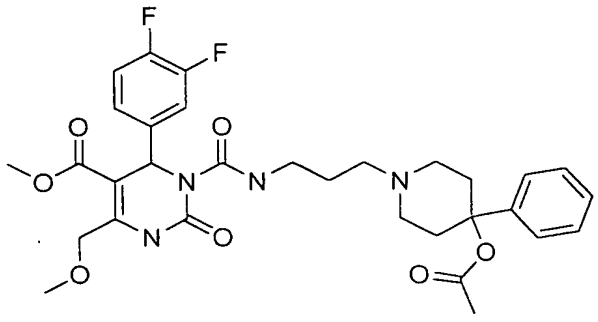
11. The compound of claim 10, wherein the compound has the structure:



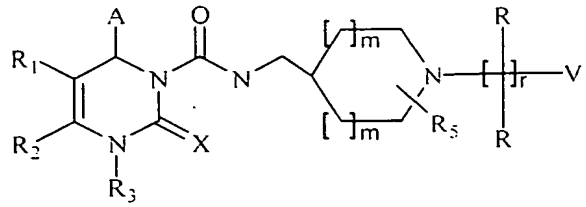
12. The compound of claim 11, wherein A is

 , or 

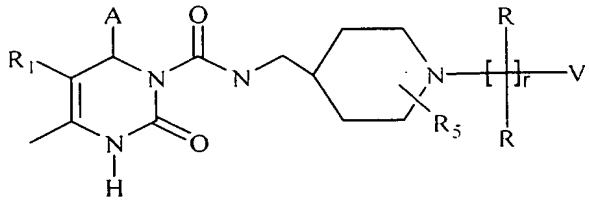
13. The compound of claim 12 having the structure:



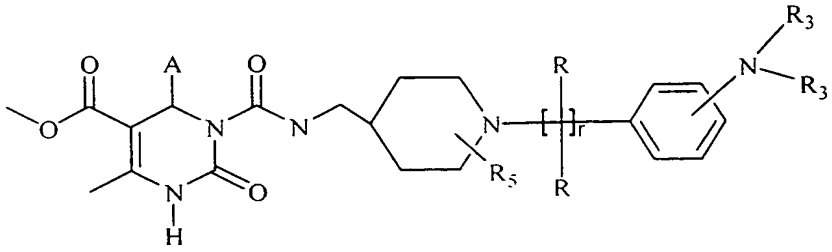
14. The compound of claim 1, having the structure:



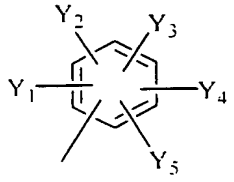
15. The compound of claim 14, having the structure:



16. The compound of claim 15 having the structure:



17. The compound of claim 16 wherein A is



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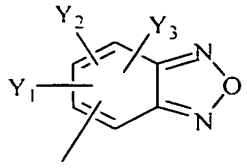
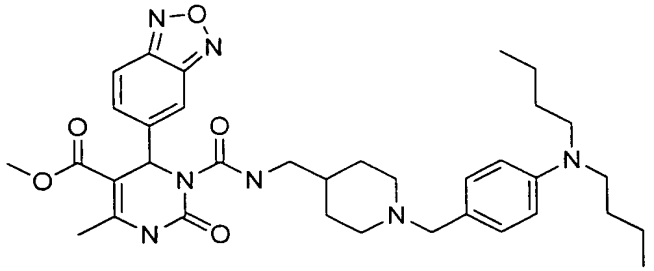
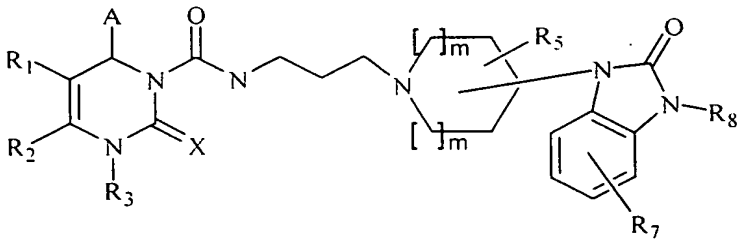


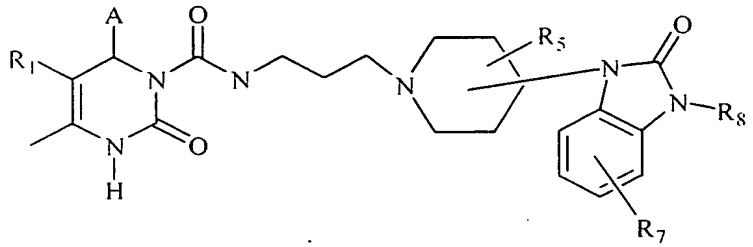
18. The compound of claim 17 having the structure:



19. The compound of claim 1 having the structure:



20. The compound of claim 19 having the structure:



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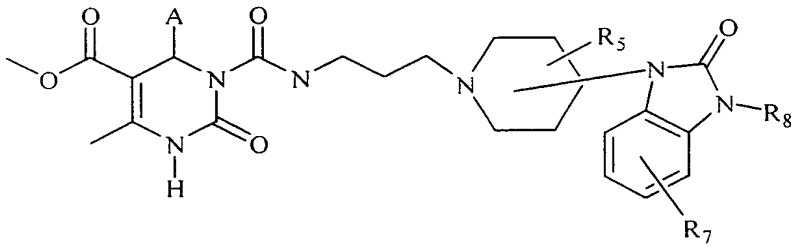
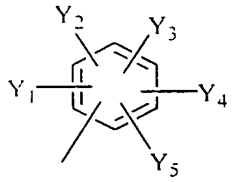
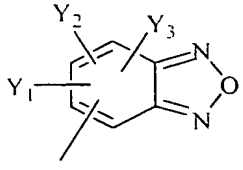
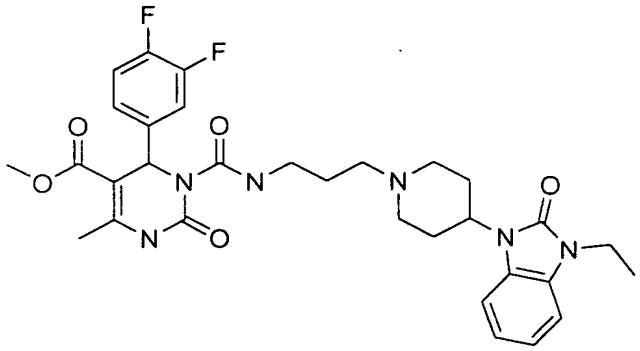


22. The compound of claim 21 wherein A is

 , or 

23. The compound of claim 22 having the structure



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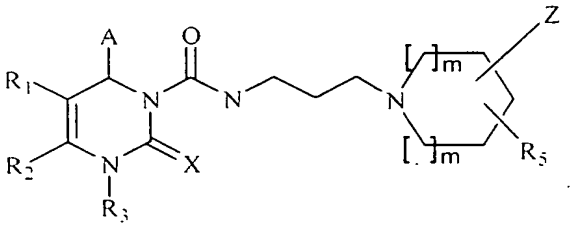
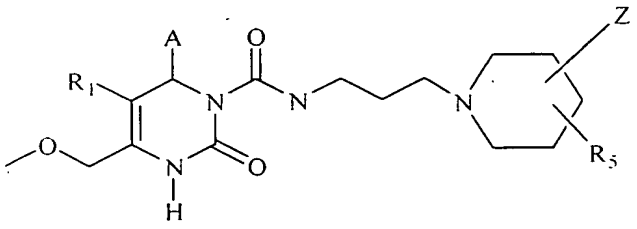
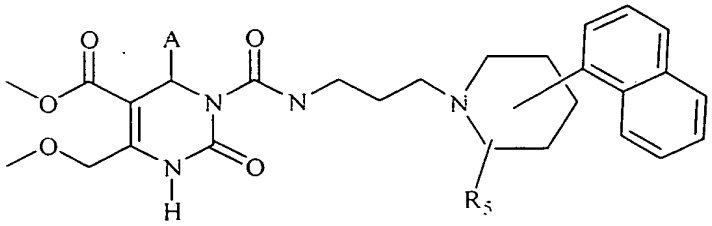


25. The compound of claim 24 having the structure:

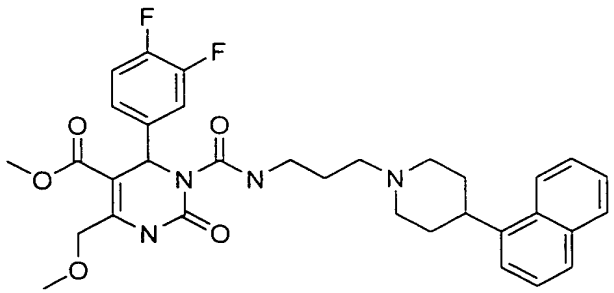


26. The compound of claim 25 having the structure:



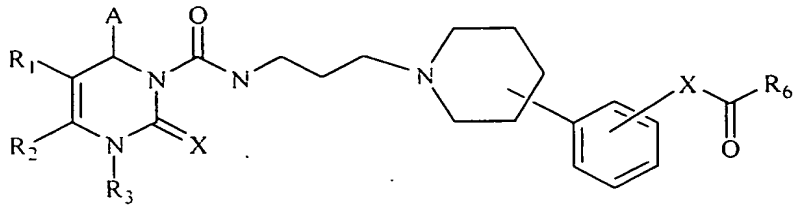
27. The compound of claim 26 wherein A is

28. The compound of claim 27 having the structure:

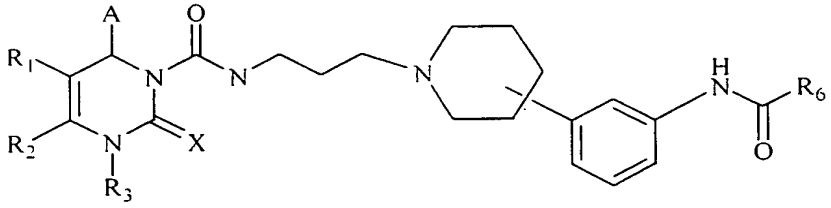


29. The compound of claim 1, wherein the compound is (+)-1,2,3,6-tetrahydro-1-{n-[4-(3,-acetamido)-phenyl-piperidin-1-yl]propyl}carboxamido-4-methoxymethyl-6-(3,4-difluoro-phenyl)-2-oxopyrimidine-5-carboxylic acid methyl ester.

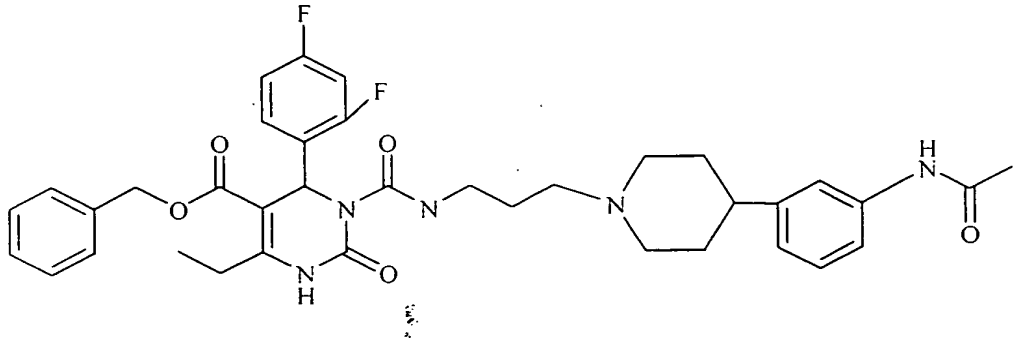
30. The compound of claim 4 having the structure:



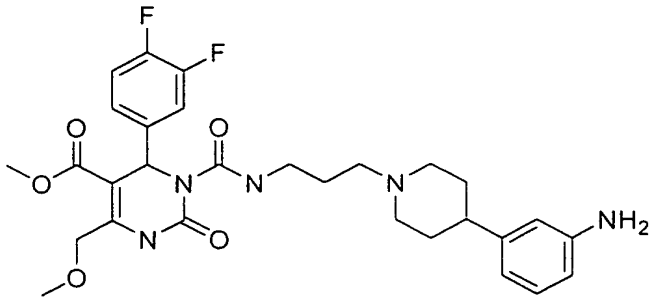
31. The compound of claim 30 having the structure:



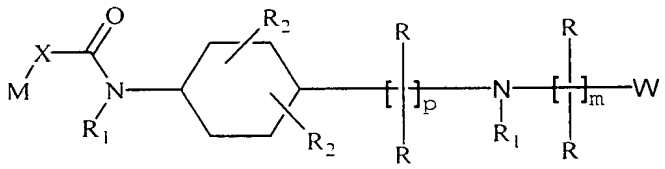
32. The compound of claim 31 having the structure:



33. A compound having the structure:



34. A compound having the structure:



wherein each R is independently -H; -F; straight chained or branched C_1-C_7 alkyl, monofluoroalkyl or polyfluoroalkyl; straight chained or branched C_2-C_7 alkenyl or alkynyl; $-N(R_3)_2$; $-NO_2$; -CN; $-SR_3$; $-CO_2R_3$; or $-OR_3$;

wherein each R_1 is independently -H; straight chained or branched C_1-C_7 alkyl, monofluoroalkyl or polyfluoroalkyl; straight chained or branched C_2-C_7 alkenyl or alkynyl; C_3-C_7 cycloalkyl, monofluorocycloalkyl, polyfluorocycloalkyl or cycloalkenyl; $-(CH_2)_pOR_3$; $-COR_3$; $-CO_2R_3$; or $-CON(R_3)_2$;

wherein each R_2 is -H; $-NO_2$; $-N_3$; -CN; straight chained or branched C_1-C_7 alkyl, monofluoroalkyl or polyfluoroalkyl; straight chained or branched C_2-C_7

alkenyl or alkynyl; C_3-C_7 cycloalkyl, monofluorocycloalkyl, polyfluorocycloalkyl or cycloalkenyl; $-N(R_3)_2$; $-OR_3$; $-(CH_2)_pOR_3$; $-COR_3$; $-CO_2R_3$; or $-CON(R_3)_2$; or aryl or heteroaryl, optionally substituted with one or more F; Cl; Br; I; COR_3; CO_2R_3; $-CON(R_3)_2$; CN; $-NO_2$; $-N(R_3)_2$; $-OR_3$; $-SR_3$; $(CH_2)_qOR_3$; $(CH_2)_qSR_3$; straight chained or branched C_1-C_7 alkyl, monofluoroalkyl, polyfluoroalkyl, aminoalkyl, or carboxamidoalkyl; straight chained or branched C_2-C_7 alkenyl, C_2-C_7 alkynyl; C_3-C_7 cycloalkyl, monofluorocycloalkyl, polyfluorocycloalkyl or cycloalkenyl;

wherein each R_3 is independently -H; straight chained or branched C_1-C_7 alkyl, monofluoroalkyl or polyfluoroalkyl; straight chained or branched C_2-C_7 alkenyl or alkynyl; C_3-C_7 cycloalkyl, monofluorocycloalkyl, polyfluorocycloalkyl or cycloalkenyl;

wherein M is aryl or heteroaryl, optionally substituted with one or more F; Cl; Br; I; COR_3; CO_2R_3; $-CON(R_3)_2$; CN; $-NO_2$; $-N(R_3)_2$; $-OR_3$; $-SR_3$; $(CH_2)_qOR_3$; $(CH_2)_qSR_3$; straight chained or branched C_1-C_7 alkyl, monofluoroalkyl, polyfluoroalkyl, aminoalkyl, or carboxamidoalkyl; straight chained or branched C_2-C_7 alkenyl, C_2-C_7 alkynyl; C_3-C_7 cycloalkyl, monofluorocycloalkyl, polyfluorocycloalkyl or cycloalkenyl;

wherein X is $(CH_2)_n$, O, S or NR_3;

wherein W is

(a) C_3-C_7 cycloalkyl, monofluorocycloalkyl,

polyfluorocycloalkyl or cycloalkenyl optionally substituted with one or more COR_3; CO_2R_3; $-CON(R_3)_2$; CN; $-NO_2$; $-N(R_3)_2$; $-OR_3$; $-SR_3$; $(CH_2)_qOR_3$; $(CH_2)_qSR_3$; straight chained or branched C_1-C_7 alkyl, monofluoroalkyl, polyfluoroalkyl, aminoalkyl, or carboxamidoalkyl; straight chained or branched C_2-C_7 alkenyl, C_2-C_7 alkynyl; C_3-C_7 cycloalkyl; or

(b) aryl or heteroaryl optionally substituted with one or more F; Cl; Br; I; COR_3; CO_2R_3; $-CON(R_3)_2$; CN; $-NO_2$; $-N(R_3)_2$; $-OR_3$; $-SR_3$; $(CH_2)_qOR_3$; $(CH_2)_qSR_3$; straight chained or branched C_1-C_7 alkyl, monofluoroalkyl, polyfluoroalkyl, aminoalkyl, or carboxamidoalkyl; straight chained or branched C_2-C_7 alkenyl, C_2-C_7 alkynyl; C_3-C_7 cycloalkyl;

wherein m is an integer from 0 to 4 inclusive;

wherein n is an integer from 0 to 6 inclusive;

wherein p is an integer from 1 to 4 inclusive;

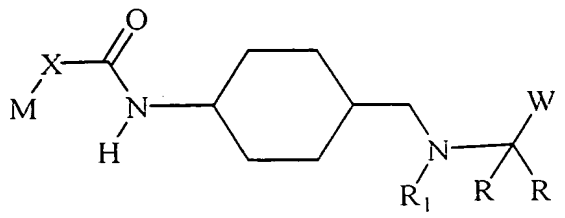
wherein q is an integer from 1 to 3 inclusive;

or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof.

35. A (+) enantiomer of the compound of claim 34.

36. A (-) enantiomer of the compound of claim 34.

37. The compound of claim 34 having the structure:



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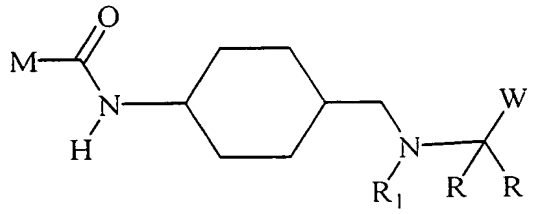
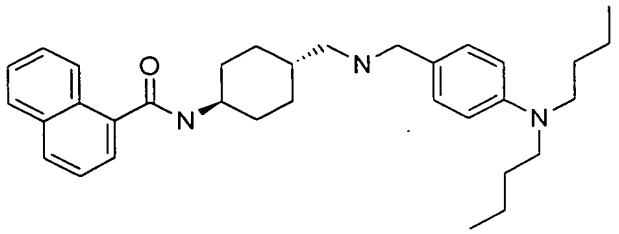
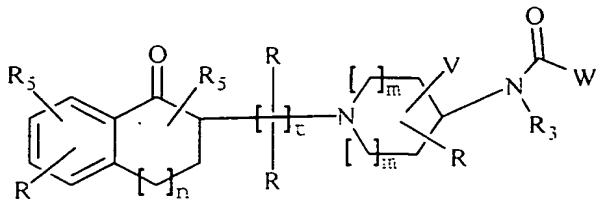


38. The compound of claim 37, wherein W is phenyl optionally substituted with one or more F; Cl; Br; I; COR_3; CO_2R_3; $-CON(R_3)_2$; CN; $-NO_2$; $-N(R_3)_2$; $-OR_3$; $-SR_3$; $(CH_2)_qOR_3$; or $(CH_2)_qSR_3$.

39. The compound of claim 38 having the structure



40. A compound having the structure:



wherein each R is independently -H; -F; straight chained or branched C_1-C_7 alkyl, monofluoroalkyl or polyfluoroalkyl; straight chained or branched C_2-C_7 alkenyl or alkynyl; $-N(R_3)_2$; $-NO_2$; -CN; $-CO_2R_3$; $-OR_3$; or $-CON(R_3)_2$;

wherein each R_1 is independently -H; F; Cl; Br; I; $-NO_2$; $-N_3$; -CN; straight chained or branched C_1-C_7 alkyl, monofluoroalkyl or polyfluoroalkyl; straight chained or branched C_2-C_7 alkenyl or alkynyl; C_3-C_7 cycloalkyl, monofluorocycloalkyl, polyfluorocycloalkyl or cycloalkenyl; $-N(R_3)_2$; $-OR_3$; $-(CH_2)_pOR_3$; $-COR_3$; $-CO_2R_3$; $-CON(R_3)_2$; aryl or heteroaryl, wherein the aryl or heteroaryl is optionally substituted with one or more F; Cl; Br; I; COR_3; CO_2R_3; $-CON(R_3)_2$; CN; $-NO_2$; $-N(R_3)_2$; $-OR_3$; $-SR_3$; $(CH_2)_qOR_3$; $(CH_2)_qSR_3$; straight chained or branched C_1-C_7 alkyl, monofluoroalkyl, polyfluoroalkyl, aminoalkyl, or carboxamidoalkyl; straight chained or branched C_2-C_7 alkenyl, C_2-C_7 alkynyl; C_3-C_7 cycloalkyl, monofluorocycloalkyl, polyfluorocycloalkyl or cycloalkenyl;

wherein each R_3 is independently -H; straight chained or branched C_1-C_7 alkyl, monofluoroalkyl or polyfluoroalkyl; straight chained or branched C_2-C_7

alkenyl or alkynyl; C_3-C_7 cycloalkyl, monofluorocycloalkyl, polyfluorocycloalkyl or cycloalkenyl;

wherein R_5 is -H; $-NO_2$; $-N_3$; -CN; straight chained or branched C_1-C_7 alkyl, monofluoroalkyl or polyfluoroalkyl; straight chained or branched C_2-C-alkenyl or alkynyl; C_3-C_7 cycloalkyl, monofluorocycloalkyl, polyfluorocycloalkyl or cycloalkenyl; $-N(R_3)_2$; $-OR_3$; $-(CH_2)_pOR_3$; $-COR_3$; $-CO_2R_3$; $-CON(R_3)_2$; aryl or heteroaryl, wherein the aryl or heteroaryl is optionally substituted with one or more F; Cl; Br; I; COR_3; CO_2R_3; $-CON(R_3)_2$; CN; $-NO_2$; $-N(R_3)_2$; $-OR_3$; $-SR_3$; $(CH_2)_qOR_3$; $(CH_2)_qSR_3$; straight chained or branched C_1-C_7 alkyl, monofluoroalkyl, polyfluoroalkyl, aminoalkyl, or carboxamidoalkyl; straight chained or branched C_2-C_7 alkenyl, C_2-C_7 alkynyl; C_3-C_7 cycloalkyl, monofluorocycloalkyl, polyfluorocycloalkyl or cycloalkenyl;

wherein V is H; aryl or heteroaryl, optionally substituted with one or more F; Cl; Br; I; COR_3; CO_2R_3; $-CON(R_3)_2$; CN; $-NO_2$; $-N(R_3)_2$; $-OR_3$; $-SR_3$; $(CH_2)_qOR_3$; $(CH_2)_qSR_3$; straight chained or branched C_1-C_7 alkyl, monofluoroalkyl, polyfluoroalkyl, aminoalkyl, or carboxamidoalkyl; straight chained or branched C_2-C_7 alkenyl, C_2-C_7 alkynyl; C_3-C_7 cycloalkyl, monofluorocycloalkyl, polyfluorocycloalkyl or cycloalkenyl;

wherein W is

(a) C_3-C_7 cycloalkyl, monofluorocycloalkyl, polyfluorocycloalkyl or cycloalkenyl optionally substituted with one or more

COR_3; CO_2R_3; $-CON(R_3)_2$; CN; $-NO_2$; $-N(R_3)_2$; $-OR_3$; $-SR_3$; $(CH_2)_qOR_3$; $(CH_2)_qSR_3$; straight chained or branched C_1-C_7 alkyl, monofluoroalkyl, polyfluoroalkyl, aminoalkyl, or carboxamidoalkyl; straight chained or branched C_2-C_7 alkenyl, C_2-C- alkynyl; C_3-C- cycloalkyl; or

(b) aryl or heteroaryl optionally substituted with one or more F; Cl; Br; I; COR_3; CO_2R_3; $-CON(R_3)_2$; CN; $-NO_2$; $-N(R_3)_2$; $-OR_3$; $-SR_3$; $(CH_2)_qOR_3$; $(CH_2)_qSR_3$; straight chained or branched C_1-C_7 alkyl, monofluoroalkyl, polyfluoroalkyl, aminoalkyl, or carboxamidoalkyl; straight chained or branched C_2-C_7 alkenyl, C_2-C_7 alkynyl; C_3-C_7 cycloalkyl;

wherein each m is independently an integer from 0 to 3 inclusive;

wherein n is an integer from 0 to 2 inclusive;

wherein p is an integer from 1 to 7 inclusive;

wherein q is an integer from 1 to 3 inclusive;

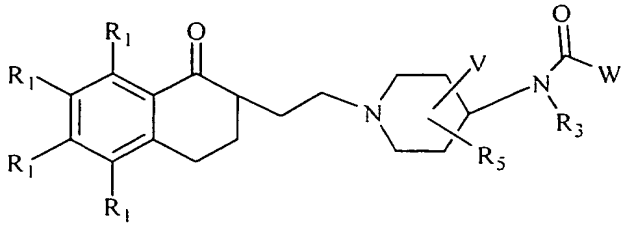
wherein t is an integer from 2 to 6 inclusive;

or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof.

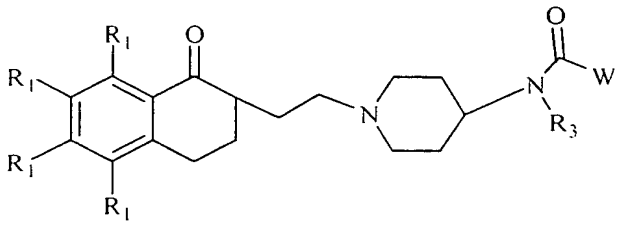
41. A (+) enantiomer of the compound of claim 40.

42. A (-) enantiomer of the compound of claim 40.

43. The compound of claim 40 having the structure:

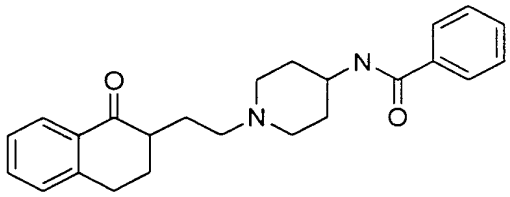


44. The compound of claim 43 having the structure

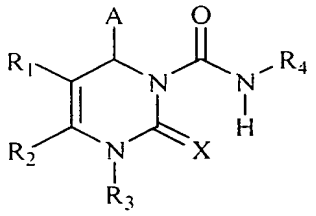


45. A compound of claim 43 wherein W is phenyl optionally substituted with one or more F; Cl; Br; I; COR_3; CO_2R_3; $-CON(R_3)_2$; CN; $-NO_2$; $-N(R_3)_2$; $-OR_3$; $-SR_3$; $(CH_2)_qOR_3$; $(CH_2)_qSR_3$; or straight chained or branched C_1-C_7 alkyl groups.

46. A compound of claim 45 having the structure



47. A method of modifying feeding behavior of a subject which comprises administering to the subject an amount of a compound effective to decrease the consumption of food by the subject wherein the compound has the structure:having the structure:



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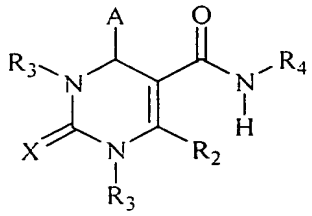

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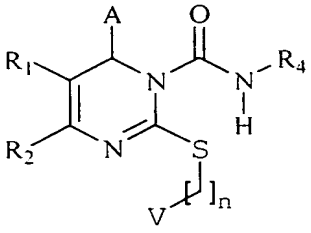

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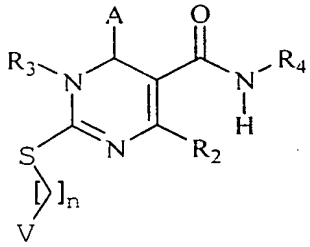

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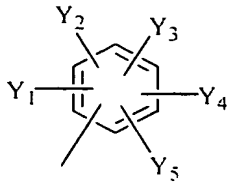
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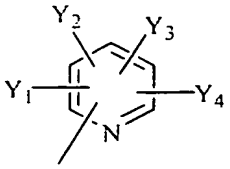
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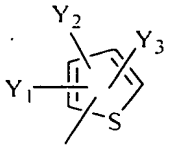
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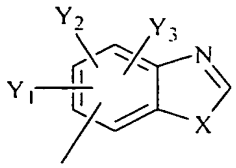
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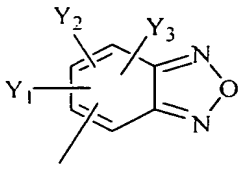
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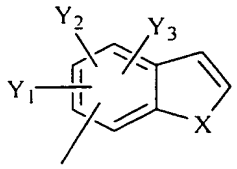
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wherein each of Y_1, Y_2, Y_3, Y_4 and Y_5 is independently -H; straight chained or branched C_1-C_7 alkyl, monofluoroalkyl or polyfluoroalkyl; straight chained or branched C_2-C_7 alkenyl or alkynyl; C_3-C_7 cycloalkyl, monofluorocycloalkyl, polyfluorocycloalkyl or cycloalkenyl; -F, -Cl, -Br, or -I; $-NO_2$; $-N_3$; -CN; $-OR_3$, $-OCOR_3$, $-COR_3$, $-CON(R_3)_2$, or $-COOR_3$; or any two of Y_1, Y_2, Y_3, Y_4 and Y_5 present on adjacent carbon atoms can constitute a methylenedioxy group;

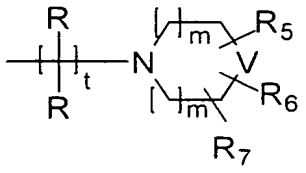
wherein each X is independently S; O; or NR_3;

wherein R_1 is -H; $-NO_2$; -CN; straight chained or branched C_1-C_7 alkyl, monofluoroalkyl or polyfluoroalkyl; straight chained or branched C_2-C_7 alkenyl or alkynyl; C_3-C_7 cycloalkyl, monofluorocycloalkyl, polyfluorocycloalkyl or cycloalkenyl; $-N(R_3)_2$; $-OR_3$; $-(CH_2)_pOR_3$; $-COR_3$; $-CO_2R_3$; $-CON(R_3)_2$; or $-CO_2(CH_2)_nV$;

wherein R_2 is -H; straight chained or branched C_1-C_7 alkyl, hydroxyalkyl, alkoxyalkyl, aminoalkyl, monofluoroalkyl or polyfluoroalkyl; straight chained or branched C_2-C_7 alkenyl or alkynyl; C_3-C_7 cycloalkyl, monofluorocycloalkyl, polyfluorocycloalkyl or cycloalkenyl; C_3-C_{10} cycloalkyl-C_1-C_{10}-alkyl, C_3-C_{10} cycloalkyl-C_1-C_{10}-monofluoroalkyl or C_3-C_{10} cycloalkyl-C_1-C_{10}-polyfluoroalkyl; -CN; $-CH_2XR_3$, $-CH_2X(CH_2)_pNHR_3$, $-(CH_2)_nNHR_3$, $-CH_2X(CH_2)_pN(R_3)_2$, $-CH_2X(CH_2)_pN_3$, or $-CH_2X(CH_2)_pNHCXR_5$; $-OR_3$; or wherein R_1 and R_2 together form a lactone ring;

wherein each R_3 is independently -H; straight chained or branched C_1-C_7 alkyl, monofluoroalkyl or polyfluoroalkyl; straight chained or branched C_2-C_7 alkenyl or alkynyl; C_3-C_7 cycloalkyl, monofluorocycloalkyl, polyfluorocycloalkyl or cycloalkenyl;

wherein R_4 is

(i) 

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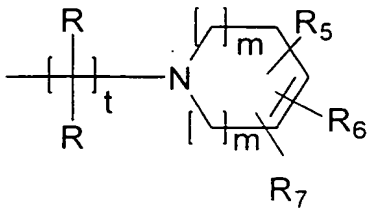

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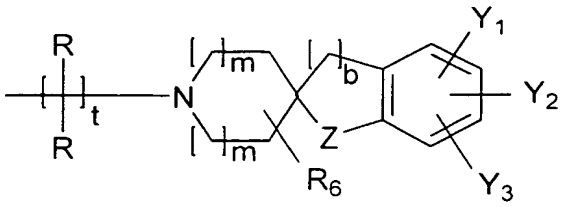

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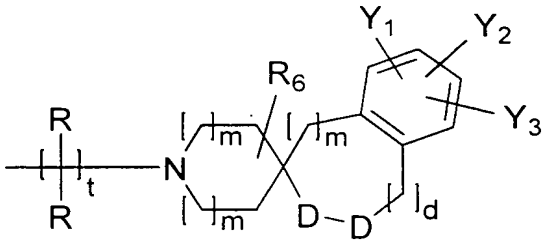

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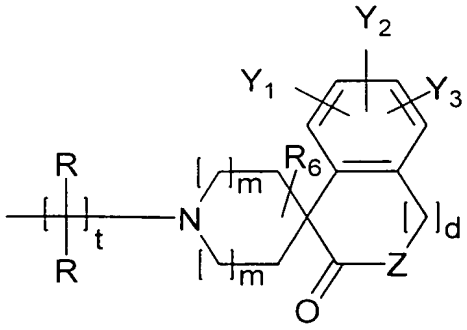

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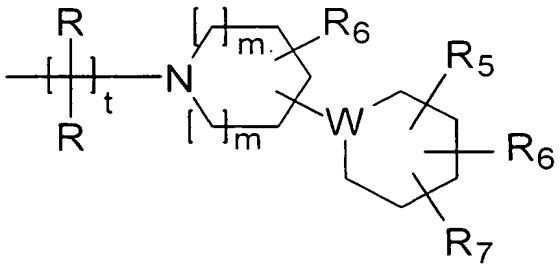

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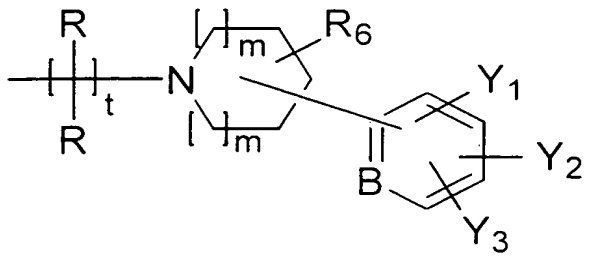

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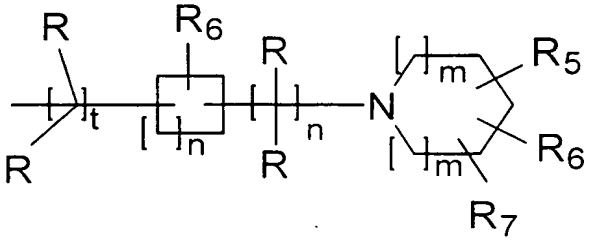

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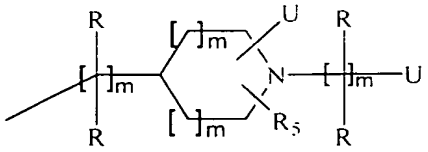

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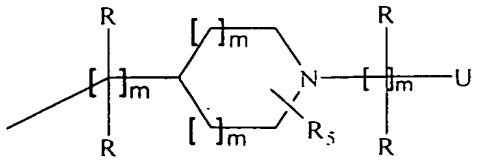

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wherein each R is independently -H; -F; straight chained or branched C_1-C_7 alkyl, monofluoroalkyl or polyfluoroalkyl; straight chained or branched C_2-C_7 alkenyl or alkynyl; $-N(R_3)_2$; $-NO_2$; -CN; $-CO_2R_3$; $-OR_3$; or $-CN(R_3)_2$;

wherein B is N or CY_4;

wherein each D is independently $C(R_3)_2$; O; S; NR_3; CO; or CS;

wherein each U is independently aryl or heteroaryl, optionally substituted with one or more F; Cl; Br; I; COR_3; CO_2R_3; $-CON(R_3)_2$; CN; $-NO_2$; $-N(R_3)_2$; $-OR_3$; $-SR_3$; $(CH_2)_qOR_3$; $(CH_2)_qSR_3$; straight chained or branched C_1-C_7 alkyl, monofluoroalkyl, polyfluoroalkyl, aminoalkyl, or carboxamidoalkyl; straight chained or branched C_2-C_7 alkenyl, C_2-C_7 alkynyl; C_3-C_7 cycloalkyl, monofluorocycloalkyl, polyfluorocycloalkyl or cycloalkenyl;

wherein V is $C(R_5)_2$; CR_5R_6; NR_5 or NR_6;

wherein W is CR_5; CR_6 or N;

wherein Z is S; O; $C(R_3)_2$; or NR_3;

wherein each R_5 is -H; $-NO_2$; $-N_3$; -CN; straight chained or branched C_1-C_7 alkyl, monofluoroalkyl or polyfluoroalkyl; straight chained or branched C_2-C_7 alkenyl or alkynyl; C_3-C_7 cycloalkyl, monofluorocycloalkyl, polyfluorocycloalkyl or cycloalkenyl; $-N(R_3)_2$; $-OR_3$; $-(CH_2)_pOR_3$; $-COR_3$; $-CO_2R_3$; or $-CON(R_3)_2$; $-XCOR_8$; or aryl or heteroaryl, wherein the aryl or heteroaryl is optionally substituted

with one or more F; Cl; Br; I; COR_3; CO_2R_3; $-CON(R_3)_2$; CN; $-NO_2$; $-N(R_3)_2$; $-OR_3$; $-SR_3$; $(CH_2)_qOR_3$; $(CH_2)_qSR_3$; $-XCOR_8$; straight chained or branched C_1-C_7 alkyl, monofluoroalkyl, polyfluoroalkyl, or aminoalkyl; straight chained or branched C_2-C_7 alkenyl, C_2-C_7 alkynyl; C_3-C_7 cycloalkyl, monofluorocycloalkyl, polyfluorocycloalkyl or cycloalkenyl;

wherein each R_6 is independently -H; straight chained or branched C_1-C_7 alkyl, hydroxyalkyl, aminoalkyl, alkoxyalkyl, monofluoroalkyl or polyfluoroalkyl; straight chained or branched C_2-C_7 alkenyl or alkynyl; C_3-C_7 cycloalkyl, monofluorocycloalkyl, polyfluorocycloalkyl or cycloalkenyl; $-N(R_3)_2$; $-OR_3$; $-(CH_2)_pOR_3$; $-COR_3$; $-CO_2R_3$; or $-CON(R_3)_2$;

wherein R_7 is -H; aryl or heteroaryl, optionally substituted with one or more F; Cl; Br; I; COR_3; CO_2R_3; $-CON(R_3)_2$; CN; $-NO_2$; $-N(R_3)_2$; $-OR_3$; $-SR_3$; $(CH_2)_qOR_3$; $(CH_2)_qSR_3$; $-XCOR_8$; straight chained or branched C_1-C_7 alkyl, monofluoroalkyl, polyfluoroalkyl, or aminoalkyl; straight chained or branched C_2-C_7 alkenyl, C_2-C_7 alkynyl; C_3-C_7 cycloalkyl, monofluorocycloalkyl, polyfluorocycloalkyl or cycloalkenyl;

wherein R_8 is -H; straight chained or branched C_1-C_7 alkyl, monofluoroalkyl or polyfluoroalkyl; straight chained or branched C_2-C_7 alkenyl or alkynyl; C_3-C_7 cycloalkyl, monofluorocycloalkyl, polyfluorocycloalkyl or cycloalkenyl; $-N(R_3)_2$; $-OR_3$; $-(CH_2)_pOR_3$; $-COR_3$; $-CO_2R_3$; or $-CON(R_3)_2$; aryl or heteroaryl, optionally substituted with one or more F; Cl; Br; I; COR_3; CO_2R_3; $-CON(R_3)_2$; CN; $-NO_2$; $-N(R_3)_2$; $-OR_3$; $-SR_3$; $(CH_2)_qOR_3$; $(CH_2)_qSR_3$; straight

chained or branched C_1-C_7 alkyl, monofluoroalkyl, polyfluoroalkyl, aminoalkyl, or carboxamidoalkyl; straight chained or branched C_2-C_7 alkenyl, C_2-C_7 alkynyl; C_3-C_7 cycloalkyl, monofluorocycloalkyl, polyfluorocycloalkyl or cycloalkenyl;

wherein b is 1 or 2;

wherein d is an integer from 0 to 2 inclusive;

wherein each m is independently an integer from 0 to 3 inclusive;

wherein each n is independently an integer from 0 to 5 inclusive;

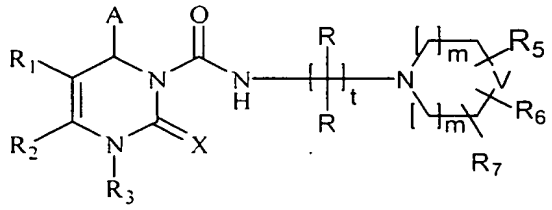
wherein each p is independently an integer from 1 to 7 inclusive;

wherein q is an integer from 1 to 3 inclusive;

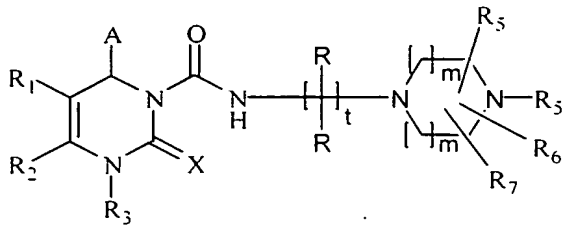
wherein t is an integer from 2 to 6 inclusive;

or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof.

48. The method of claim 47, wherein the compound has the structure



49. The method of claim 48, wherein the compound has the structure



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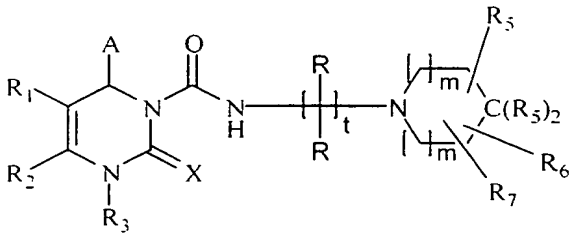
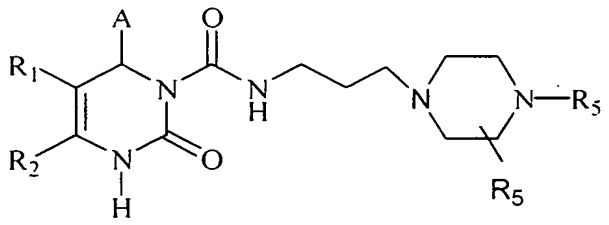


50. The method of claim 49, wherein the compound has the structure



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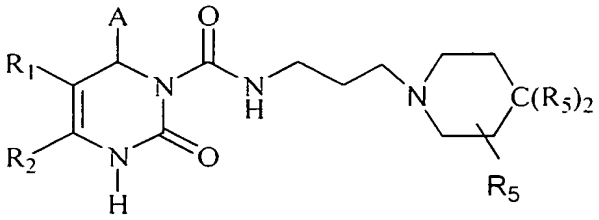

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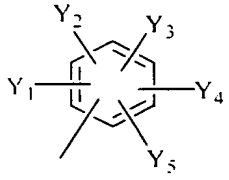
51. The method of claim 50, wherein at least one R_5 group is an aryl or heteroaryl group optionally substituted with one or more F; Cl; Br; I; $-NO_2$; $-N(R_3)_2$; $-OR_3$; $-XCOR_8$; or straight chained or branched C_1-C_7 alkyl.

52. The method of claim 51, wherein A is:



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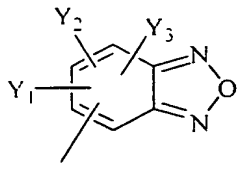

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53. The method of claim 52, wherein the compound is selected from the group consisting of:

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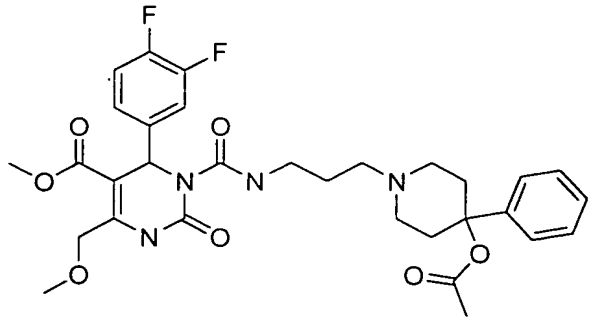

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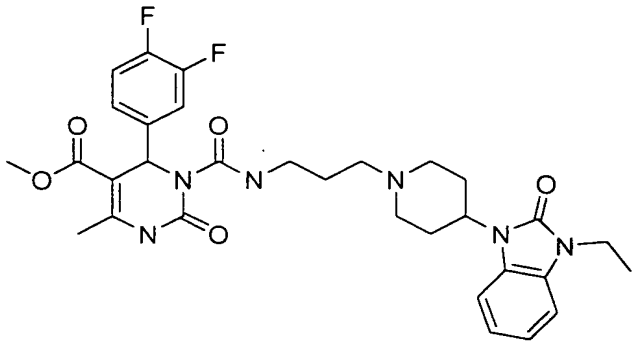

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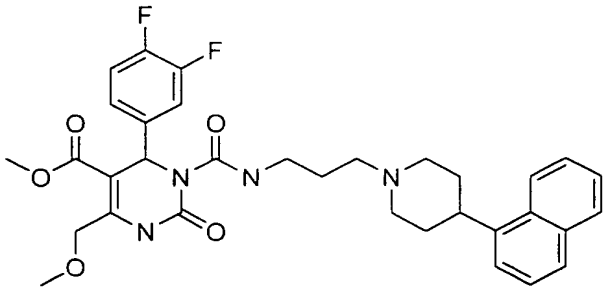

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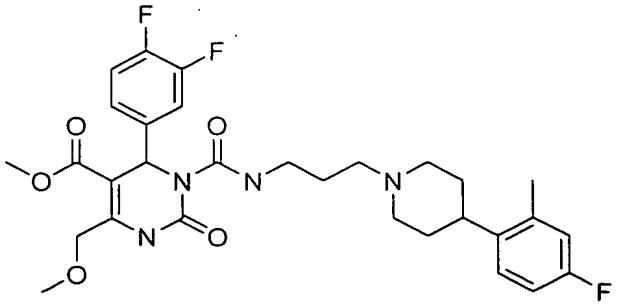

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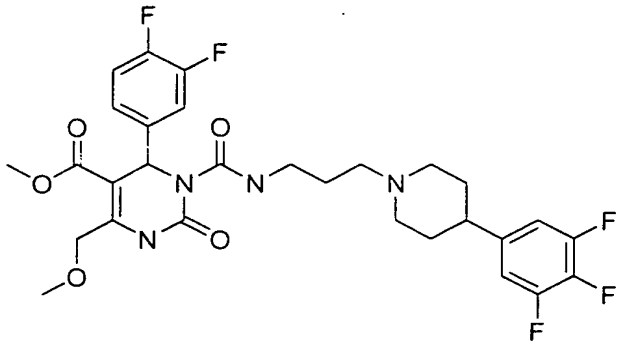

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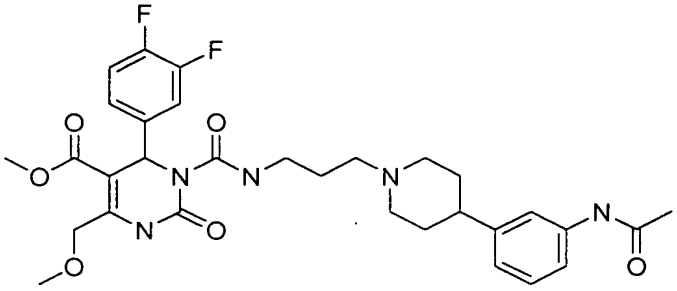
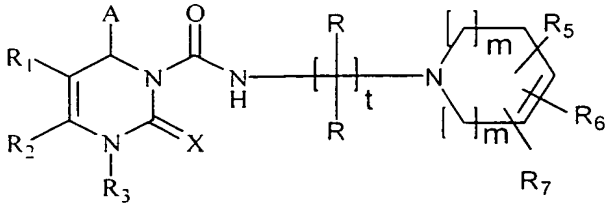
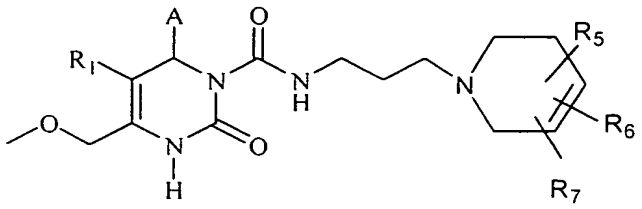


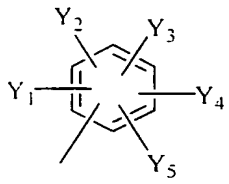
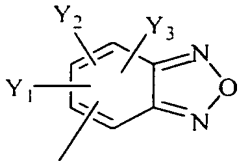
54. The method of claim 47, wherein the compound has the structure



55. The method of claim 54, wherein the compound has the structure

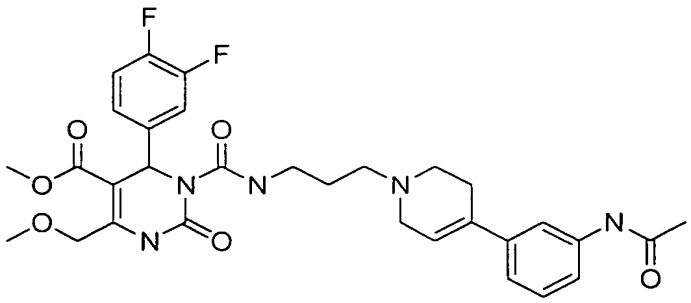


56. The method of claim 55, wherein A is

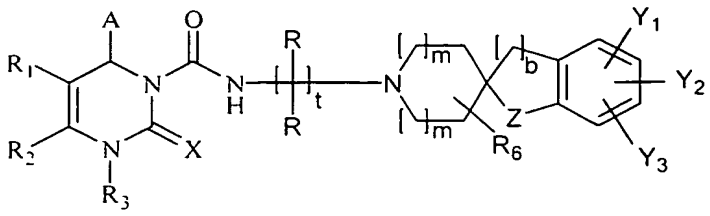
 , or  ;

and R_7 is phenyl, optionally substituted with one or more F; Cl; Br; I; COR_3; CO_2R_3; $-CON(R_3)_2$; CN; $-NO_2$; $-N(R_3)_2$; $-OR_3$; $-SR_3$; $(CH_2)_qOR_3$; $(CH_2)_qSR_3$; $-XCOR_8$; or straight chained or branched C_1-C_7 alkyl.

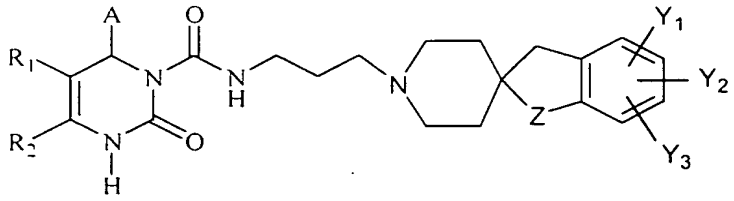
57. The method of claim 56, wherein the compound has the structure



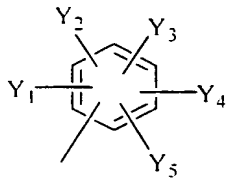
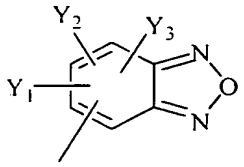
58. The method of claim 47, wherein the compound has the structure



59. The method of claim 58, wherein the compound has the structure

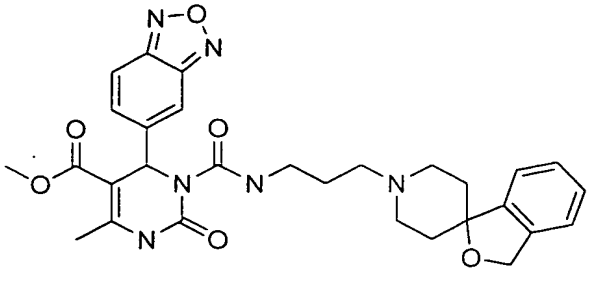


60. The method of claim 59, wherein A is

 , or  ;

and Z is O or CH_2.

61. The method of claim 60, wherein the compound is selected from the group consisting of



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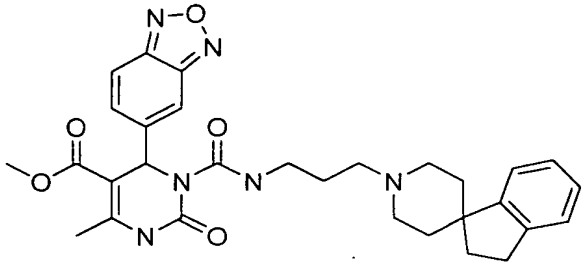

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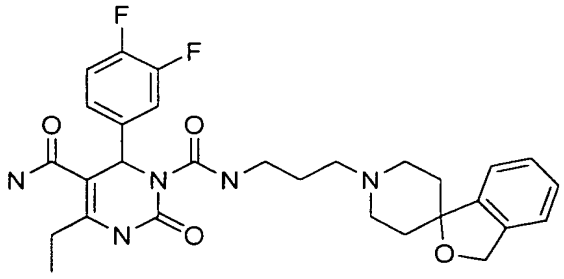
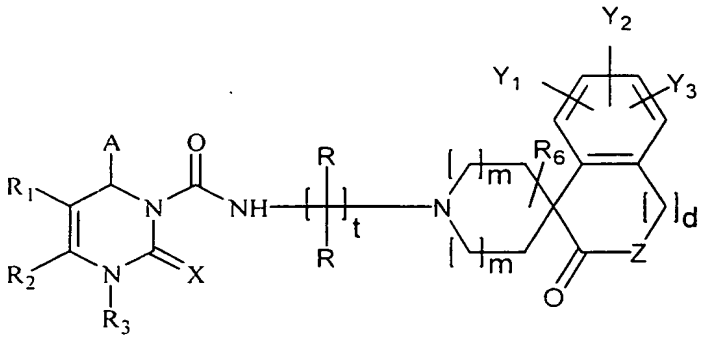
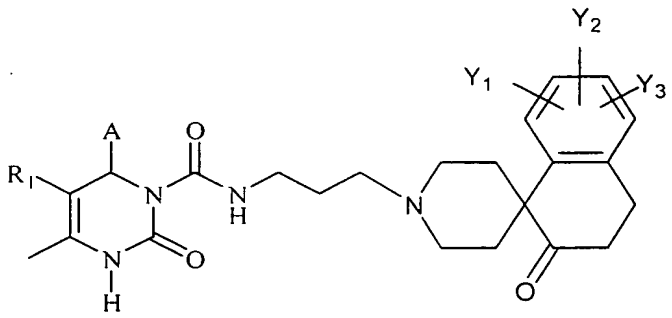


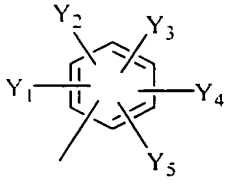
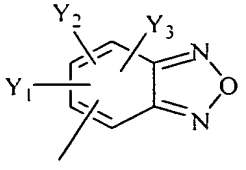
62. The method of claim 47, wherein the compound has the structure



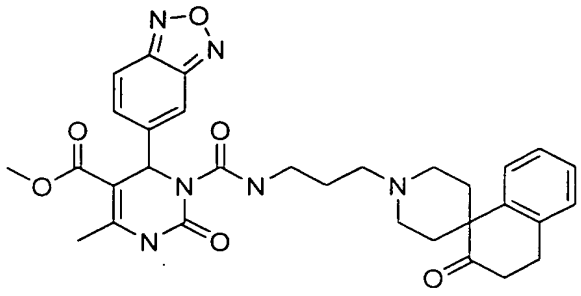
63. The method of claim 62, wherein the compound has the structure



64. The method of claim 63, wherein A is

 , or 

65. The method of claim 64, wherein the compound is



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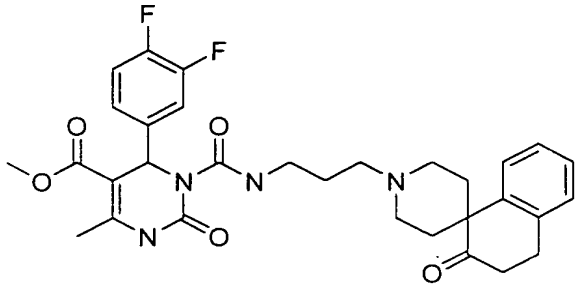
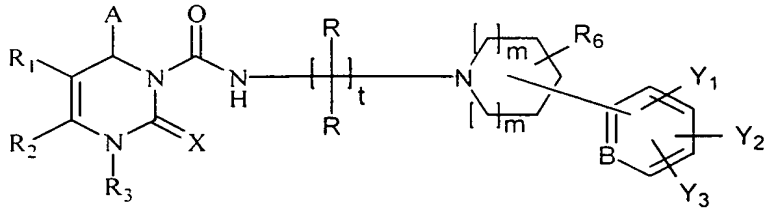


66. The method of claim 47, wherein the compound has the structure



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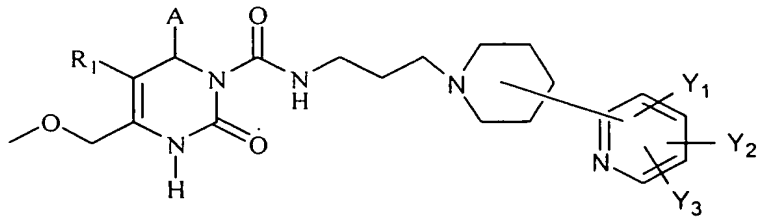

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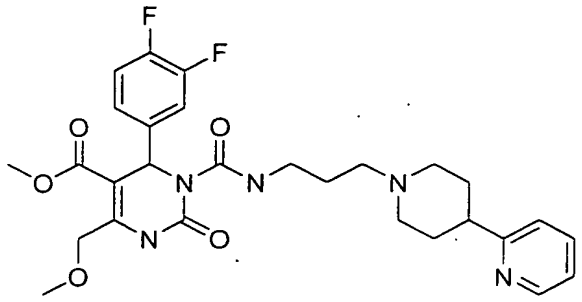

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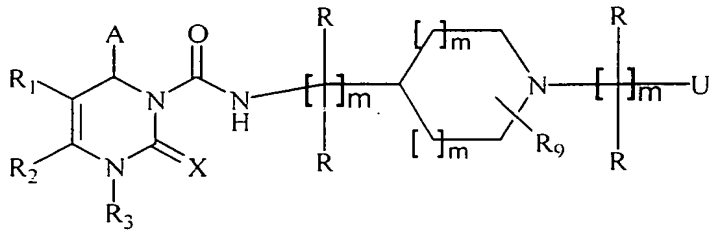
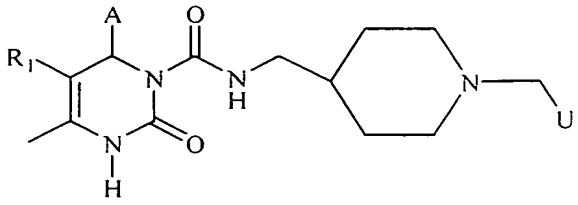
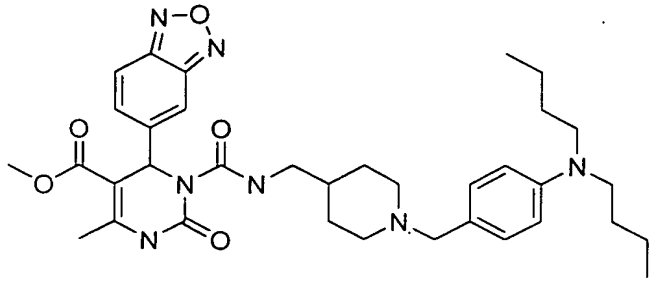


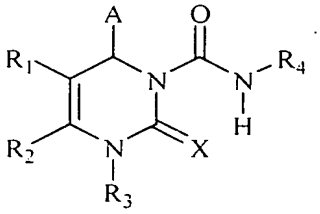
70. The method of claim 69, wherein the compound has the structure



71. The method of claim 70, wherein the compound has the structure



72. A method of reducing the body mass of a subject which comprises administering to the subject an amount of a compound effective to reduce the body mass of the subject wherein the compound has the structure:



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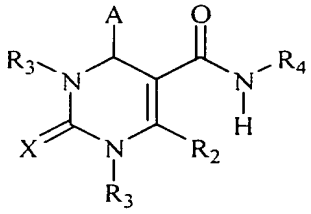

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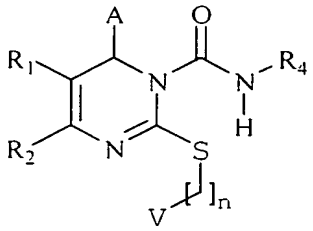

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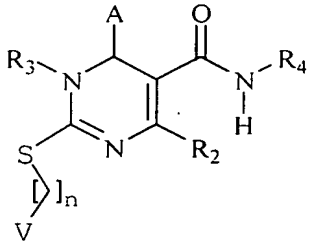

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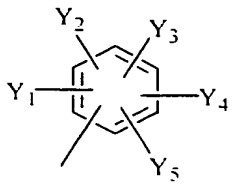
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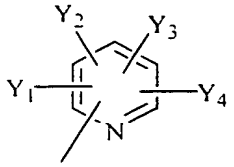
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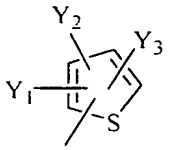
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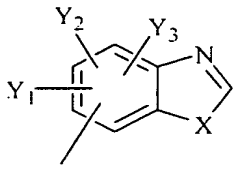
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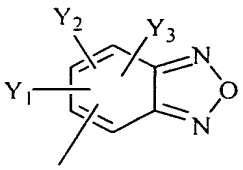
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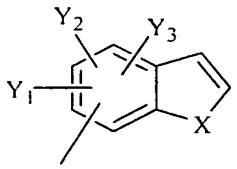
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wherein each of Y_1, Y_2, Y_3, Y_4 and Y_5 is independently -H; straight chained or branched C_1-C_7 alkyl, monofluoroalkyl or polyfluoroalkyl; straight chained or branched C_2-C_7 alkenyl or alkynyl; C_3-C_7 cycloalkyl, monofluorocycloalkyl, polyfluorocycloalkyl or cycloalkenyl; -F, -Cl, -Br, or -I; $-NO_2$; $-N_3$; -CN; $-OR_3$, $-OCOR_3$, $-COR_3$, $-CON(R_3)_2$, or $-COOR_3$; or any two of Y_1, Y_2, Y_3, Y_4 and Y_5 present on adjacent carbon atoms can constitute a methylenedioxy group;

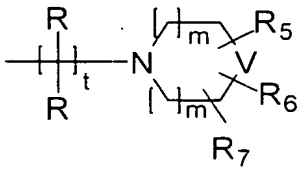
wherein each X is independently S; O; or NR_3;

wherein R_1 is -H; $-NO_2$; -CN; straight chained or branched C_1-C_7 alkyl, monofluoroalkyl or polyfluoroalkyl; straight chained or branched C_2-C- alkenyl or alkynyl; C_3-C_7 cycloalkyl, monofluorocycloalkyl, polyfluorocycloalkyl or cycloalkenyl; $-N(R_3)_2$; $-OR_3$; $-(CH_2)_pOR_3$; $-COR_3$; $-CO_2R_3$; $-CON(R_3)_2$; or $-CO_2(CH_2)_nV$;

wherein R_2 is -H; straight chained or branched C_1-C- alkyl, hydroxyalkyl, alkoxyalkyl, aminoalkyl, monofluoroalkyl or polyfluoroalkyl; straight chained or branched C_2-C_7 alkenyl or alkynyl; C_3-C_7 cycloalkyl, monofluorocycloalkyl, polyfluorocycloalkyl or cycloalkenyl; C_3-C_{10} cycloalkyl-C_1-C_{10}-alkyl, C_3-C_{10} cycloalkyl-C_1-C_{10}-monofluoroalkyl or C_3-C_{10} cycloalkyl-C_1-C_{10}-polyfluoroalkyl; -CN; $-CH_2XR_3$, $-CH_2X(CH_2)_pNHR_3$, $-(CH_2)_nNHR_3$, $-CH_2X(CH_2)_pN(R_3)_2$, $-CH_2X(CH_2)_pN_3$, or $-CH_2X(CH_2)_pNHCXR_5$; $-OR_3$; or wherein R_1 and R_2 together form a lactone ring;

wherein each R_3 is independently -H; straight chained or branched C_1-C_7 alkyl, monofluoroalkyl or polyfluoroalkyl; straight chained or branched C_2-C_7 alkenyl or alkynyl; C_3-C_7 cycloalkyl, monofluorocycloalkyl, polyfluorocycloalkyl or cycloalkenyl;

wherein R_4 is

(i) 

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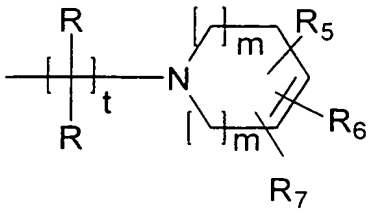

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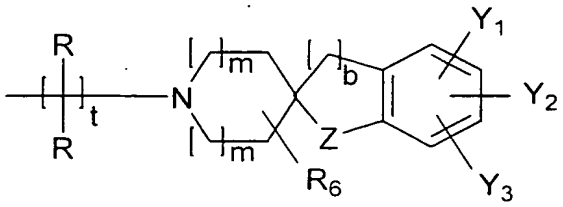

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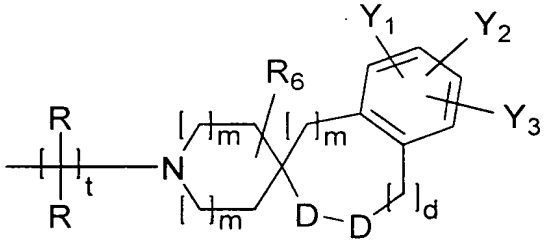

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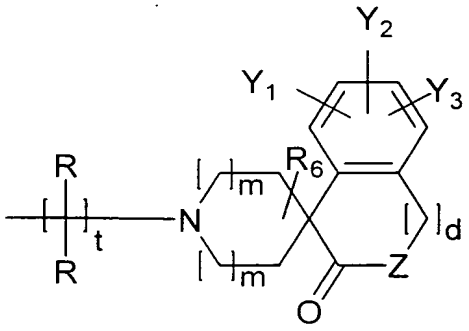

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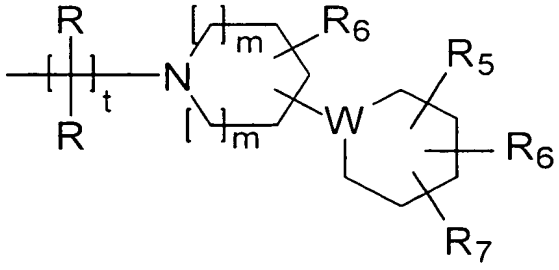

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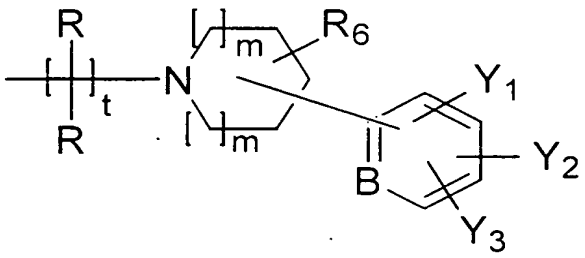

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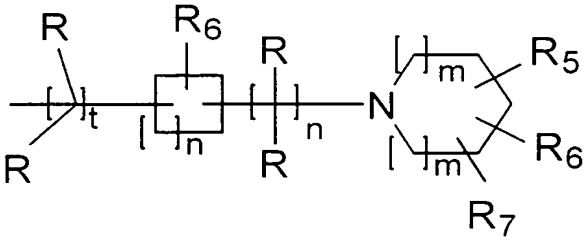

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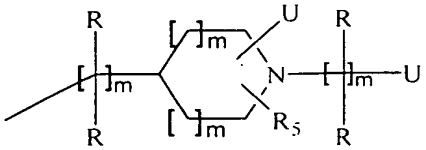

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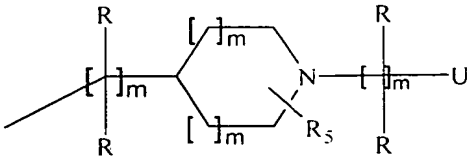

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wherein each R is independently -H; -F; straight chained or branched C_1-C_7 alkyl, monofluoroalkyl or polyfluoroalkyl; straight chained or branched C_2-C- alkenyl or alkynyl; $-N(R_3)_2$; $-NO_2$; -CN; $-CO_2R_3$; $-OR_3$; or $-CN(R_3)_2$;

wherein B is N or CY_4;

wherein each D is independently $C(R_3)_2$; O; S; NR_3; CO; or CS;

wherein each U is independently aryl or heteroaryl, optionally substituted with one or more F; Cl; Br; I; COR_3; CO_2R_3; $-CON(R_3)_2$; CN; $-NO_2$; $-N(R_3)_2$; $-OR_3$; $-SR_3$; $(CH_2)_qOR_3$; $(CH_2)_qSR_3$; straight chained or branched C_1-C_7 alkyl, monofluoroalkyl, polyfluoroalkyl, aminoalkyl, or carboxamidoalkyl; straight chained or branched C_2-C_7 alkenyl, C_2-C_7 alkynyl; C_3-C_7 cycloalkyl, monofluorocycloalkyl, polyfluorocycloalkyl or cycloalkenyl;

wherein V is $C(R_5)_2$; CR_5R_6; NR_5 or NR_6;

wherein W is CR_5; CR_6 or N;

wherein Z is S; O; $C(R_3)_2$; or NR_3;

wherein each R_5 is -H; $-NO_2$; $-N_3$; -CN; straight chained or branched C_1-C_7 alkyl, monofluoroalkyl or polyfluoroalkyl; straight chained or branched C_2-C_7 alkenyl or alkynyl; C_3-C_7 cycloalkyl, monofluorocycloalkyl, polyfluorocycloalkyl or cycloalkenyl; $-N(R_3)_2$; $-OR_3$; $-(CH_2)_pOR_3$; $-COR_3$; $-CO_2R_3$; or $-CON(R_3)_2$; $-XCOR_8$; or aryl or heteroaryl, wherein the aryl or heteroaryl is optionally substituted

with one or more F; Cl; Br; I; COR_3; CO_2R_3; $-CON(R_3)_2$; CN; $-NO_2$; $-N(R_3)_2$; $-OR_3$; $-SR_3$; $(CH_2)_qOR_3$; $(CH_2)_qSR_3$; $-XCOR_8$; straight chained or branched C_1-C_7 alkyl, monofluoroalkyl, polyfluoroalkyl, or aminoalkyl; straight chained or branched C_2-C_7 alkenyl, C_2-C-alkynyl; C_3-C_7 cycloalkyl, monofluorocycloalkyl, polyfluorocycloalkyl or cycloalkenyl;

wherein each R_6 is independently -H; straight chained or branched C_1-C_7 alkyl, hydroxyalkyl, aminoalkyl, alkoxyalkyl, monofluoroalkyl or polyfluoroalkyl; straight chained or branched C_2-C_7 alkenyl or alkynyl; C_3-C_7 cycloalkyl, monofluorocycloalkyl, polyfluorocycloalkyl or cycloalkenyl; $-N(R_3)_2$; $-OR_3$; $-(CH_2)_pOR_3$; $-COR_3$; $-CO_2R_3$; or $-CON(R_3)_2$;

wherein R_7 is -H; aryl or heteroaryl, optionally substituted with one or more F; Cl; Br; I; COR_3; CO_2R_3; $-CON(R_3)_2$; CN; $-NO_2$; $-N(R_3)_2$; $-OR_3$; $-SR_3$; $(CH_2)_qOR_3$; $(CH_2)_qSR_3$; $-XCOR_8$; straight chained or branched C_1-C_7 alkyl, monofluoroalkyl, polyfluoroalkyl, or aminoalkyl; straight chained or branched C_2-C_7 alkenyl, C_2-C_7 alkynyl; C_3-C_7 cycloalkyl, monofluorocycloalkyl, polyfluorocycloalkyl or cycloalkenyl;

wherein R_8 is -H; straight chained or branched C_1-C_7 alkyl, monofluoroalkyl or polyfluoroalkyl; straight chained or branched C_2-C_7 alkenyl or alkynyl; C_3-C_7 cycloalkyl, monofluorocycloalkyl, polyfluorocycloalkyl or cycloalkenyl; $-N(R_3)_2$; $-OR_3$; $-(CH_2)_pOR_3$; $-COR_3$; $-CO_2R_3$; or $-CON(R_3)_2$; aryl or heteroaryl, optionally substituted with one or more F; Cl; Br; I; COR_3; CO_2R_3; $-CON(R_3)_2$; CN; $-NO_2$; $-N(R_3)_2$; $-OR_3$; $-SR_3$; $(CH_2)_qOR_3$; $(CH_2)_qSR_3$; straight

chained or branched C_1-C_7 alkyl, monofluoroalkyl, polyfluoroalkyl, aminoalkyl, or carboxamidoalkyl; straight chained or branched C_2-C_7 alkenyl, C_2-C-alkynyl; C_3-C_7 cycloalkyl, monofluorocycloalkyl, polyfluorocycloalkyl or cycloalkenyl;

wherein b is 1 or 2;

wherein d is an integer from 0 to 2 inclusive;

wherein each m is independently an integer from 0 to 3 inclusive;

wherein each n is independently an integer from 0 to 5 inclusive;

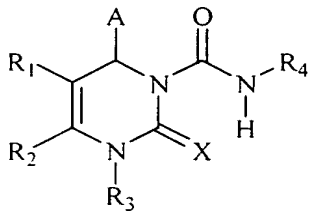
wherein each p is independently an integer from 1 to 7 inclusive;

wherein q is an integer from 1 to 3 inclusive;

wherein t is an integer from 2 to 6 inclusive;

or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof.

73. A method of treating a subject suffering from depression and/or anxiety which comprises administering to the subject an amount of a compound effective to treat the subject's depression and/or anxiety wherein the compound has the structure:



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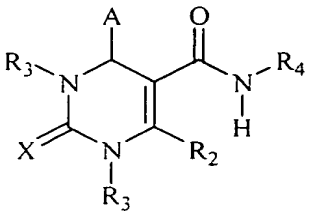

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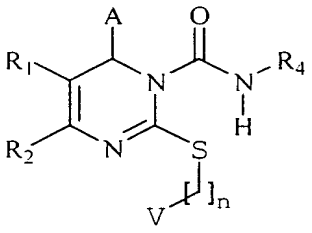

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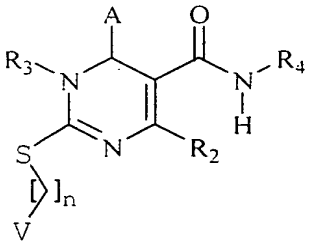

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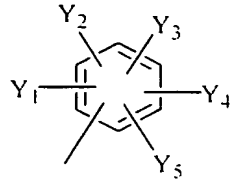
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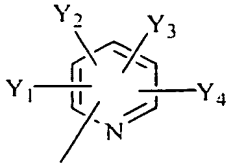
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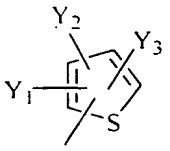
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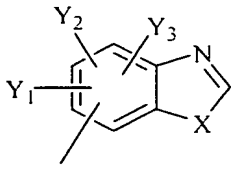
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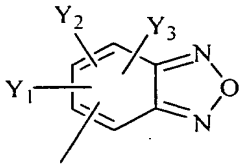
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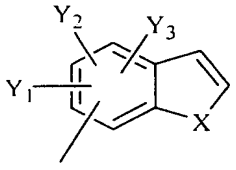
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wherein each of Y_1, Y_2, Y_3, Y_4 and Y_5 is independently -H; straight chained or branched C_1-C_7 alkyl, monofluoroalkyl or polyfluoroalkyl; straight chained or branched C_2-C_7 alkenyl or alkynyl; C_3-C_7 cycloalkyl, monofluorocycloalkyl, polyfluorocycloalkyl or cycloalkenyl; -F, -Cl, -Br, or -I; $-NO_2$; $-N_3$; -CN; $-OR_3$, $-OCOR_3$, $-COR_3$, $-CON(R_3)_2$, or $-COOR_3$; or any two of Y_1, Y_2, Y_3, Y_4 and Y_5 present on adjacent carbon atoms can constitute a methylenedioxy group;

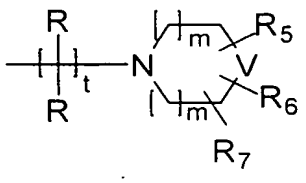
wherein each X is independently S; O; or NR_3;

wherein R_1 is -H; $-NO_2$; -CN; straight chained or branched C_1-C_7 alkyl, monofluoroalkyl or polyfluoroalkyl; straight chained or branched C_2-C- alkenyl or alkynyl; C_3-C_7 cycloalkyl, monofluorocycloalkyl, polyfluorocycloalkyl or cycloalkenyl; $-N(R_3)_2$; $-OR_3$; $-(CH_2)_pOR_3$; $-COR_3$; $-CO_2R_3$; $-CON(R_3)_2$; or $-CO_2(CH_2)_nV$;

wherein R_2 is -H; straight chained or branched C_1-C_7 alkyl, hydroxyalkyl, alkoxyalkyl, aminoalkyl, monofluoroalkyl or polyfluoroalkyl; straight chained or branched C_2-C_7 alkenyl or alkynyl; C_3-C_7 cycloalkyl, monofluorocycloalkyl, polyfluorocycloalkyl or cycloalkenyl; C_3-C_{10} cycloalkyl-C_1-C_{10}-alkyl, C_3-C_{10} cycloalkyl-C_1-C_{10}-monofluoroalkyl or C_3-C_{10} cycloalkyl-C_1-C_{10}-polyfluoroalkyl; -CN; $-CH_2XR_3$, $-CH_2X(CH_2)_pNHR_3$, $-(CH_2)_nNHR_3$, $-CH_2X(CH_2)_pN(R_3)_2$, $-CH_2X(CH_2)_pN_3$, or $-CH_2X(CH_2)_pNHCXR_5$; $-OR_3$; or wherein R_1 and R_2 together form a lactone ring;

wherein each R_3 is independently -H; straight chained or branched C_1-C_7 alkyl, monofluoroalkyl or polyfluoroalkyl; straight chained or branched C_2-C- alkenyl or alkynyl; C_3-C_7 cycloalkyl, monofluorocycloalkyl, polyfluorocycloalkyl or cycloalkenyl;

wherein R_4 is

(i) 

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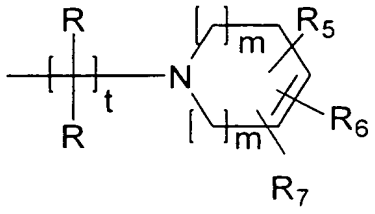

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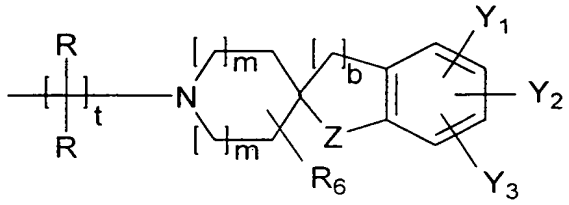

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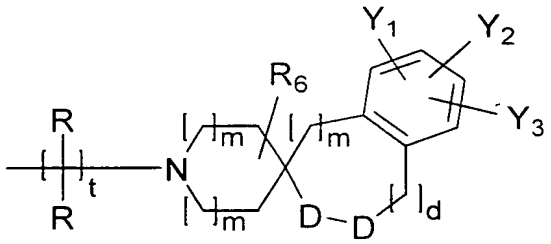

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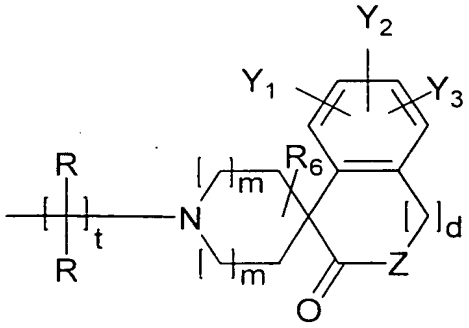

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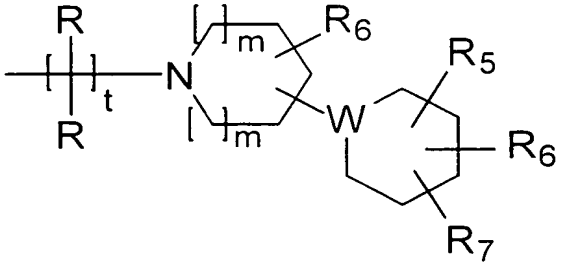

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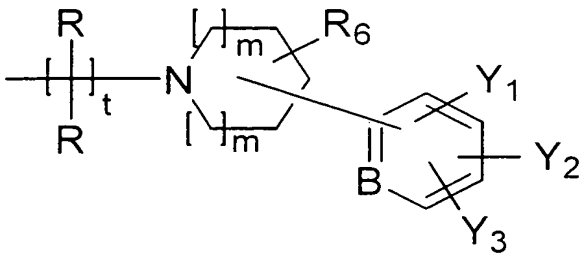

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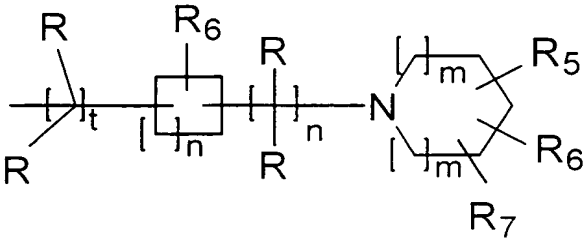

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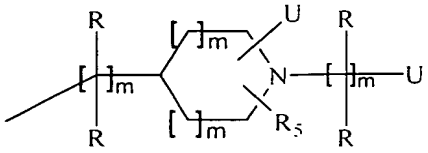

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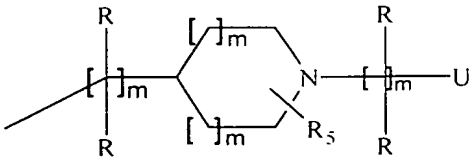

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wherein each R is independently -H; -F; straight chained or branched C_1-C_7 alkyl, monofluoroalkyl or polyfluoroalkyl; straight chained or branched C_2-C_7 alkenyl or alkynyl; $-N(R_3)_2$; $-NO_2$; -CN; $-CO_2R_3$; $-OR_3$; or $-CN(R_3)_2$;

wherein B is N or CY_4;

wherein each D is independently $C(R_3)_2$; O; S; NR_3; CO; or CS;

wherein each U is independently aryl or heteroaryl, optionally substituted with one or more F; Cl; Br; I; COR_3; CO_2R_3; $-CON(R_3)_2$; CN; $-NO_2$; $-N(R_3)_2$; $-OR_3$; $-SR_3$; $(CH_2)_qOR_3$; $(CH_2)_qSR_3$; straight chained or branched C_1-C_7 alkyl, monofluoroalkyl, polyfluoroalkyl, aminoalkyl, or carboxamidoalkyl; straight chained or branched C_2-C_7 alkenyl, C_2-C_7 alkynyl; C_3-C_7 cycloalkyl, monofluorocycloalkyl, polyfluorocycloalkyl or cycloalkenyl;

wherein V is $C(R_5)_2$; CR_5R_6; NR_5 or NR_6;

wherein W is CR_5; CR_6 or N;

wherein Z is S; O; $C(R_3)_2$; or NR_3;

wherein each R_5 is -H; $-NO_2$; $-N_3$; -CN; straight chained or branched C_1-C_7 alkyl, monofluoroalkyl or polyfluoroalkyl; straight chained or branched C_2-C_7 alkenyl or alkynyl; C_3-C_7 cycloalkyl, monofluorocycloalkyl, polyfluorocycloalkyl or cycloalkenyl; $-N(R_3)_2$; $-OR_3$; $-(CH_2)_pOR_3$; $-COR_3$; $-CO_2R_3$; or $-CON(R_3)_2$; $-XCOR_8$; or aryl or heteroaryl, wherein the aryl or heteroaryl is optionally substituted

with one or more F; Cl; Br; I; COR_3; CO_2R_3; $-CON(R_3)_2$; CN; $-NO_2$; $-N(R_3)_2$; $-OR_3$; $-SR_3$; $(CH_2)_qOR_3$; $(CH_2)_qSR_3$; $-XCOR_8$; straight chained or branched C_1-C_7 alkyl, monofluoroalkyl, polyfluoroalkyl, or aminoalkyl; straight chained or branched C_2-C_7 alkenyl, C_2-C_7 alkynyl; C_3-C_7 cycloalkyl, monofluorocycloalkyl, polyfluorocycloalkyl or cycloalkenyl;

wherein each R_6 is independently -H; straight chained or branched C_1-C_7 alkyl, hydroxyalkyl, aminoalkyl, alkoxyalkyl, monofluoroalkyl or polyfluoroalkyl; straight chained or branched C_2-C_7 alkenyl or alkynyl; C_3-C_7 cycloalkyl, monofluorocycloalkyl, polyfluorocycloalkyl or cycloalkenyl; $-N(R_3)_2$; $-OR_3$; $-(CH_2)_pOR_3$; $-COR_3$; $-CO_2R_3$; or $-CON(R_3)_2$;

wherein R_7 is -H; aryl or heteroaryl, optionally substituted with one or more F; Cl; Br; I; COR_3; CO_2R_3; $-CON(R_3)_2$; CN; $-NO_2$; $-N(R_3)_2$; $-OR_3$; $-SR_3$; $(CH_2)_qOR_3$; $(CH_2)_qSR_3$; $-XCOR_8$; straight chained or branched C_1-C_7 alkyl, monofluoroalkyl, polyfluoroalkyl, or aminoalkyl; straight chained or branched C_2-C_7 alkenyl, C_2-C_7 alkynyl; C_3-C_7 cycloalkyl, monofluorocycloalkyl, polyfluorocycloalkyl or cycloalkenyl;

wherein R_8 is -H; straight chained or branched C_1-C_7 alkyl, monofluoroalkyl or polyfluoroalkyl; straight chained or branched C_2-C_7 alkenyl or alkynyl; C_3-C_7 cycloalkyl, monofluorocycloalkyl, polyfluorocycloalkyl or cycloalkenyl; $-N(R_3)_2$; $-OR_3$; $-(CH_2)_pOR_3$; $-COR_3$; $-CO_2R_3$; or $-CON(R_3)_2$; aryl or heteroaryl, optionally substituted with one or more F; Cl; Br; I; COR_3; CO_2R_3; $-CON(R_3)_2$; CN; $-NO_2$; $-N(R_3)_2$; $-OR_3$; $-SR_3$; $(CH_2)_qOR_3$; $(CH_2)_qSR_3$; straight

chained or branched C_1-C_7 alkyl, monofluoroalkyl, polyfluoroalkyl, aminoalkyl, or carboxamidoalkyl; straight chained or branched C_2-C_7 alkenyl, C_2-C-alkynyl; C_3-C_7 cycloalkyl, monofluorocycloalkyl, polyfluorocycloalkyl or cycloalkenyl;

wherein b is 1 or 2;

wherein d is an integer from 0 to 2 inclusive;

wherein each m is independently an integer from 0 to 3 inclusive;

wherein each n is independently an integer from 0 to 5 inclusive;

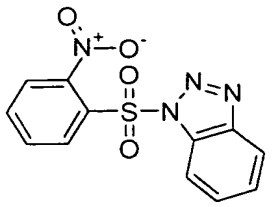
wherein each p is independently an integer from 1 to 7 inclusive;

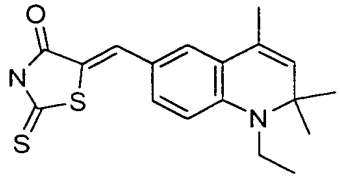
wherein q is an integer from 1 to 3 inclusive;

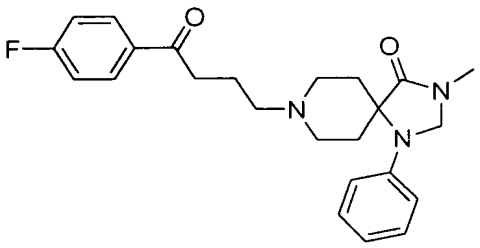
wherein t is an integer from 2 to 6 inclusive;

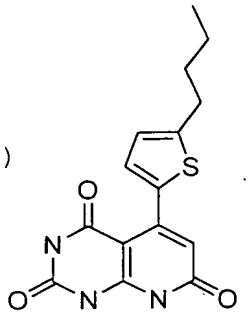
or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof.

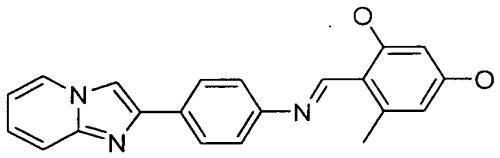
74. A method of modifying feeding behavior of a subject which comprises administering to the subject an amount of a compound effective to decrease the consumption of food by the subject wherein the compound is selected from the group consisting of:

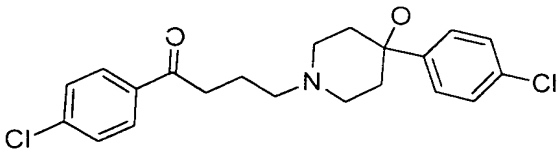
a)  ;

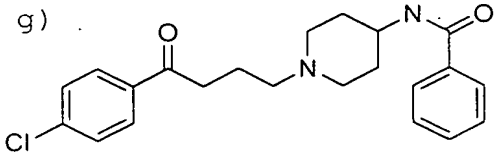
(b)  ;

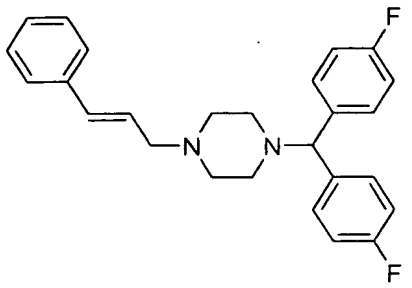
c)  ;

d)  ;

e)  ;

f)  ;

g)  ; and

h) 

75. A method of modifying feeding behavior of a subject which comprises administering to the subject an amount of a compound of claim 34 or 38 effective to decrease the consumption of food by the subject.

76. A method of treating a feeding disorder in a subject which comprises administering to the subject an amount of a compound of claim 1, 34 or 38 effective to decrease the consumption of food by the subject.

77. The method of claim 76, wherein the feeding disorder is bulimia, obesity or bulimia nervosa.

78. A method of reducing the body mass of a subject which comprises administering to the subject an amount of a compound of claim 34 or 38 effective to reduce the body mass of the subject.

79. A method of treating a subject suffering from depression and/or anxiety which comprises administering to the subject an amount of a compound of claim 34 or 38 effective to treat the subject's depression and/or anxiety.

80. The method of claim 47, 74, 75 or 76, wherein the subject is a vertebrate, a mammal, a human or a canine.

81. The method of claim 47, 74, 75 or 76, wherein the compound is administered in combination with food.

82. A pharmaceutical composition comprising a therapeutically effective amount of the compound of claim 1, 34 or 38 and a pharmaceutically acceptable carrier.

83. The pharmaceutical composition of claim 82 wherein the amount of the compound is from about 0.01 mg to about 500 mg.

84. The pharmaceutical composition of claim 83 wherein the amount of the compound is from about 0.1 mg to about 60 mg.

85. The pharmaceutical composition of claim 84 wherein the amount of the compound is from about 1 mg to about 20 mg.

86. The pharmaceutical composition of claim 82, wherein the carrier is a liquid and the composition is a solution.

87. The pharmaceutical composition of claim 82, wherein the carrier is a solid and the composition is a tablet.

88. The pharmaceutical composition of claim 82, wherein the carrier is a gel and the composition is a suppository.

89. A pharmaceutical composition made by combining a therapeutically effective amount of the compound of claim 1, 34 or 38 and a pharmaceutically acceptable carrier.

90. A process for making a pharmaceutical composition comprising combining a therapeutically effective amount of the compound of claim 1, 34 or 38 and a pharmaceutically acceptable carrier.